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Tuesday, 5 August 1947

INTERNATIONAL MILITARY TRIBUNAL
FOR THE FAR EAST
Court House of the Tribunal
War Ministry Building
Tokyo, Japan

The Tribunal met, pursuant to adjournment,

Appearances:

at 0930.

For the Tribunal, all Members sitting, with the exception of: HONORABLE JUSTICE JU-AO MEI, Member from the Republic of China, sitting from 1330 to 1600; HONORABLE JUSTICE STUART McDOUGALL, Member from the Dominion of Canada; HONORABLE JUSTICE I. M. ZARAYANOV, Member from the USSR; and HONORABLE JUSTICE E. H. NORTHCROFT, Member from the Dominion of New Zealand, not sitting from 0930 to 1600.

For the Defense Section, same as before.

(English to Japanese and Japanese to English interpretation was made by the Language Section, IMTFE.)

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MARSHAL OF THE COURT: The International Military Tribunal for the Far East is now in session. THE PRESIDENT: Dr. KIYOSE.

DR. KIYOSE: Mr. President, in the latter part of the second paragraph of the opening statement made by my esteemed colleague, Mr. Logan, yesterday, there is a sentence which has been mistranslated into English, and I should like to have this section corrected -- mistranslated into Japanese.

THE PRESIDENT: Point it out to Mejor Moore, and he will report to us. We do not want to know what it is now. Point it out to Major Moore.

DR. KIYOSE: I have already spoken of the matter to Major Moore, and I expect that he will make the correction.

THE PRESIDENT: When he is ready, he may do

LANGUAGE ARBITER (Major Moore): If the Tribunal please, sir, Dr. KIYOSE spoke to me just before Court was to sit. The Board has not had a chance to look at the correction. It is from English into Japanese, and the correction will be noted in the Japanese copy.

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Logan.

KIKUSABURO OKADA, recalled as a witness
on behalf of the defense, resumed the stand and
testified through Japanese interpreters as
follows:

MR. LOGAN: I shall continue reading from OKADA's affidavit, page 12, the English copy, where we left off yesterday:

"Again concerning the shipping which is the motive power of Japan's production, we stated in the investigation that, assuming a war would be opened in April, the vessels to be drafted by the army and navy should be fixed at the limit of about 2,500,000 tons, which was far short of the demands for operations. We thought it possible, however, to open war in winter on the ground that, taking advantage of the slack season of shipping in winter the additional one million tons of vessels would be available, even admitting some of the drafted vessels would be lost on the way. In the investigation at that time we merely estimated that the loss of vessels would be no more than 400,000 tons at the beginning of war, but there was no small anxiety over securing transportation if situations of war occurred contrary to our expectations. This was because we had heard influential opinions from some officials of the Navy concerning estimated loss of vessels, which estimated 800,000 tons the first year,

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the third year. Yet we opined that reduction of transport capacity resulting from drafting vessels corresponded to the loss of 6 million tons of coal, 2,350,000 tons of iron ore and other no small amount of materials. As for iron, the level of 4 million tons of production can be maintained by using iron ore stocked previously, whereas much importance should be attached to the result due to the loss of 6 million tons of coal over various fields of industries. Again, as the materials stocked were bound to be almost consumed during the two years after war opened (68 per cent in the first year, 17 per cent in the second year of hostility), there were anxieties over our resiliency after the third year.

"In the investigation with the assumption that

"In the investigation with the assumption that the status quo would be maintained, we also arrived at a judgment. Although the official document is not in existence, as stated above, the part containing the judgment is attached to this affidavit as Annex II, copied from the duplicate in my possession.

"Explaining the judgment, firstly we pointed out that, assuming the following conditions, i.e., Japan would not enter into economic rupture with Britian and the United States, that trading with their colonies in the East Asia would also be continued to a certain ex-

tent, and that economic negotiations of Japan with various regions in the South would also make certain progress, the national power of our country, in case the status quo was maintained, would continue to drop in 1941 and 1942, but would take a little upward trend in later years. Secondly, we pointed out that national power would seriously be lowered if the foregoing assumptions did not happen due to a decrease of storage of oil, our national defense would be weakened extremely.

"Finally we have reported, under the title
'Combined' judgment on investigations carried out on
assumptions of 'opening war' and 'maintaining status
quo', which was to compare the two investigations, that
so long as import of oil was not to be interrupted by
an all out embargo we should bear the situation in patience. However, regarding that part there are no official documents as certified by the 1st Demobilization
Bureau (attached certificate (b)), nor is my copy in
existence.

"IV. Freezing of Assets and Catastrophe of Japan.

"With the freezing of assets on 26 July 1941, Japan was driven into a completely blockaded economy and indeed entered into a position facing catastrophe after the time when she would have consumed her stocked re-

To explain the situation regardsources in two years. ing oils which were vital to Japan, the total amount of oils stocked by the army, navy and civilians were: 1,700,000 k.1. "Aviation gasoline approx. 830,000 "Ordinary 320,000 "Kerosene 6 320,000 "Light oil 7 4,430,000 "Heavy oil 8 360,000 "Machine oil 9 "As against this, volume consumed in 1941 were: 10 150,000 k.1. "Aviation gasoline approx. 11 80,000 "Ordinary 12 10,000 "Kerosene 4,000 "Light oil 14 1,050,000 "Heavy oil 15 150,000 "Machine oil 16 "In consequence, if the China Incident contin-17 ued, aviation gasoline would be only 870,000 k.l. and 18 heavy oil 2,330,000 k.l. in two years, which amounted 19 to merely being capable of sustaining as little as 20 one year for battle in the air against a strong power 21 and for one year of protracted operations on the sea, 22 already too short for decisive battle on the sea. 23 "Thus Japan fell into the so-called sagging 24 We were judging, when the army and the

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difficulties.

navy faced the decisive battles or operations, the amount of aviation gasoline which would be needed would be about 400,000 k.l. each year, i.e., 800,000 k.l. for both Army and Navy. This exceeded the above-mentioned amount of storage. The amount of heavy oil which would be needed for the navy would be more than 2,000,000 k.l. in protracted operations, which would in two years leave little of the aforementioned stock of heavy oil.

"V. Judgment upon the national strength on the basis of assumption of opening war in November 1941.

"Encountered with hardship through the freezing of funds and the stoppage of oil importation, the Preparations Section of Mobilization Plans Bureau, the War Ministry, had been rectifying the investigations of the former judgment on the national strength on the basis of assumption of 'opening a war on November 1, 1941' since September of 1941, but about the last period of the KONOYE Cabinet, War Minister TOJO requested our Section to reexamine its investigations and asked for a clear prospect, concerning particularly, oil, shipping, iron, coal and foodstuffs.

"By that time similar investigations were being conducted in the Navy Ministry, too, and discussions had been made between the two Ministries with regard to oil, shipping, etc., but no such investigations had been made in the Planning Board up to that time.

"The above investigations did not differ so much in substance from the judgment on the basis of assumption of 'opening a war in April,' but the situation has become more serious than ever, with the decrease in stock of oil resulting from the stoppage of

oil importation.

"Through the investigations made at that time, it was judged that oil could be obtained from the Netherlands Indies to the extent of 1,000,000 K.l. in the first year and 3,000,000 K.l. in the second. But in the subsequent discussion between the Army and the Navy, this estimate was rectified by the Army to the lowest, i.e., 300,000 K.l. in the first year and 2,000,000 in the second, adding special ingenuities to the method of consumption to overcome somehow that shortage.

was, of course, no change at all in the desire to reach an agreement through diplomatic negotations. The authorities concerned in both Ministries were to continue further investigations, taking into consideration a war which might have to be waged in order to get rid of the danger in national defense, resulting from oil blockade, in case the diplomatic negotiations should fail to bring about agreement.

"Next, with regard to the shipping problem, the shipping capacity to be requisitioned by the Army and Navy, and their periodic increase or decrease were ascertained for the first time as the result of that investigation, in consequence of which the prospect of

the transportation of goods became gradually apparent, vis.

"Firstly, shipping capacity needed:

- "(1) In order to continue the import of supplies, a monthly average of 3,000,000 tons of shipping capacity available for goods was needed;
- "(2) But when that shipping capacity was reduced to 2,500,000 tons, and if (A) iron and steel and rice were given the allocation of 100% transporting capacity, (B) coal, salt, fertilizer, soyabeans, ores, brick and raw cotton could not be given more than 80%, and (C) other resources, 44%.
- "(3) When it was reduced to 2,000,000 tons, and if 100% and 70% were maintained for iron and steel and rice in (A) and the important resources in (B) respectively the other resources in (c) could not be given more than 8%.
- "(4) When it was still further reduced to 1,500,000 tons, and even if iron and steel and rice in (A) were cut down to 80%, and the important resources in (B) to 40%, the other resources in (C) could be given but 1%.

"From the foregoing it was generally surmised that the situation was serious, although the above ratio could be adjusted among (A), (B) and (C) with one

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"Secondly, shipping capacity available:

"(1) According to the investigation in August, 1941 the actual capacity of ships with more than 1,000 tons was 5,980,000 tons at the end of July, 1941; in addition to this, the total capacity of small-sized ships and controllable steamlaunches was 650,000 tons, which were obtained after having been converted by taking into account their availability. The grand total of the above capacity early in November, including 90,000 tons of new ships to be built by October would be 6,720,000 tons;

"(2) If this grand total shipping capacity was reduced by the total capacity of 1,100,000 tons of ships, such as those in deck or detained, tankers, government ships, fishing boats, repair ships and store ships (excluded from requisition);

"Thirdly, increase and decrease of available capacity:

- 800,000 tons (1st year) (1) Ships lost:
- 100,000 (2) Ships seized:
- (11 430,000 (3) Ships newly (2nd year) 550,000 built:

(3rd year) 600,000

	"Fourthly, shipping capacity requisitioned
by th	ne Army and Navy:
Navy	1,600,000 tons
Army	1,800,000 " for first 4 months
	900,000 " after 7th month, as re-
	sult of gradual decrease.
	it (Afterwards the Navy and Army still plan to
incr	case requisition.)
	"Fifthly, shipping acpacity needed for trans-
port	ing goods on public demand based on the above cal-
	tion:
VE CH	"(1) Supposing that much damage would be
sust	ained early in the first year,
	Minimum: 1,670,000 tons.
	of this, if passenger ships
	(540,000 tons) were converted
	into cargo boats (100,200 tons)
	the actual capacity would become
	1,270,000 tons.
	"Monthly average: Actual capacity 1,300,000
	tons for first 4 months. Actual capac-
	ity 2,200,000 tons for the subsequent
	8 months.
	"(2) If no damage was sustained after the
	ond year, the actual converted capacity of ships for

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public demand would reach as much as 3,000,000 tons, but if otherwise, the figures would be changed. If, however, 600,000 tons were lost in the second year and 700,000 tons in the third, the above figure, 2,200,000 tons, would decline to some extent. In order to cover this deficit, the only way is to build new ships.

"Sixthly, in summing up the foregoing, we judged as follows:

early in the first year was indeed too small to hope for anything, but if we had recourse to the compulsory store of iron ores and the utilization of various stocks, and especially if such were limited to the quiet transportation period of winter, production could be maintained, and if that transporting capacity were restored to that subsequent actually converted 2,200,000 tons, the supply of goods of actually converted 2,500,000 tons' space inclusive of various counter-measures would probably be possible.

"(2) After the second year, if no large number of ships were lost through the successful military and naval operations, that transporting espacity would gradually increase."

THE PRESIDENT: How do all these details tend to exculpate the accused? They show nothing more than

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One would expect that kind of thing from the prosecution but not from the defense in such detail. This
man might be a prosecution witness from all he says.
We are not interested in the details of this man's
work. It was all directed at preparation for war on
a large scale and war in the immediate future, you
might say.

MR. LOGAN: On the contrary, if the Tribunal please, it shows that investigation was made; and, if you will wait until I arrive at the end of the affidavit, I think you will find definitely that, on the basis of this careful estimate, it was definitely pointed out that there could be no war, based on the materials that they had on hand.

of the affidavit, but how does it help the accused to show that that man in the box advised against war and yet war was resorted to? A thousand Japanese may have weighed the situation and advised against war. Suppose they did. Would they be called here to show their advice was disregarded?

MR. LOGAN: On the contrary, your Honor, the Indictment charges these accused with planning and preparing for aggressive war. This testimony shows --

pardon.

THE PRESIDENT: As a colleague just stated, this man is not an accused.

MR. LOGAN: He is not an accused, but he is the one who made these studies and summitted them to one of the accused at least.

THE PRESIDENT: How does it help any of the accused if this man made a careful study and gave advice against war which was disregarded? How can it help?

MR. LOGAN: I am trying to explain it, your Honor.

reading the affidavit, Mr. Logan, and I would like to know what you are driving at through this witness.

MR. LOGAN: I think, perhaps, if I'd explain it, you would understand.

We are accused, in the Indictment, of planning and preparing to wage an aggressive war. This testimony and other testimony to be offered will show that there was no such plan and no such preparation. There couldn't be because Japan didn't have the resources.

And that -- may I finish? -- and that later on, after the freezing orders went into effect and diplomatic negotiations broke down and there was a danger of Japan

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being strangled, then, as a last resort, she went to war. There was no preparation or planned war.

THE PRESIDENT: Well, your case is, you waged war but you didn't plan it or prepare for it.

MR. LOGAN: We were driven to it. As I said in the opening statement, your Honor, Japan was provoked into this war.

THE PRESIDENT: And not having planned or prepared for war, her defeat was inevitable.

MR. LOGAN: The prosecution evidence also shows that, your Honor. They knew that they couldn't last more than a year and a half at the time the war was forced on them.

THE PRESIDENT: According to KIDO's Diary -I forget the number of the exhibit -- on the 30th of
Nevember Prince TAKAMATSU is supposed to have told
the Emperor that the Navy thought they had no chance
of success. The Emperor then consulted the War
Minister, the Chief of the Naval General Staff and
the Prime Minister, the accused TOJO, who expressed
confidence in the result. The Emperor then directed
that the program be carried out.

MR. LOGAN: If the Tribunal please, as far as the Emperor is concerned, he was following constitution-al government.

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THE PRESIDENT: I am dealing with another phase of that diary, the confidence of the Japanese and the result of the war they were about to declare or to engage in. But I don't share your view of the constitutional position of the Emperor. If a cabinet advises a king to commit a crime, and the king directs that it be committed, there is no constitutional protection.

MR. LOGAN: But if the cabinet advises the Emperor--

THE PRESIDENT: The king can do no wrong under the constitution.

MR. LOGAN: If the cabinet advises the Emperor that it is necessary for the country to go to war for self-preservation and self-defense, self-defense is a good defense to any crime. They didn't want to go to war, your Honor. All the evidence points against it. They knew that they couldn't win the war and the prosecution evidence so shows it and so does ours. They were driven to it.

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THE PRESIDENT: When you raise self-defense you change the constitutional ground. That is a different matter. It still remains that the men who advised the commission of a crime, if it be one, are in no worse position than the man who directs the crime be committed.

MR. LOGAN: Of course, that is based on the assumption that a crime has been committed.

Getting back to this affidavit, your Honor,
I might also say that it also shows lack of conspiracy
among these accused.

May I continue reading?

THE PRESIDENT: I still think it is a waste of time.

MR. LOGAN (Reading):

"19. With regard to various important goods,
I investigated the matter from the above shipping condition, and taking the utilization of their stock into
account.

"20. In order to explain the above points, I prepared a diagram and reported it verbally on its basis to the War Minister.

"This diagram, however, does not exist at present, as is certified by the 1st demobilization official certificate (C).

"The War Minister ordered us to refer it to the Military Affairs Section, as it was closely related with other various problems, and studied my report from every angle. The attitude of the War Minister, TOJO, at that time, as far as we subordinates took it, was nothing but to order us to make various investigations. "At that time, although the military circles at large felt a great unrest in regard to making a war, particularly to the shipping situation, there was an atmosphere that Japan could not face the future danger which might be caused by the blockade of oil.

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synthetic oil was also thoroughly investigated at this time.

"22. The following were the judgment of the Planning Board in case war might be avoided:

"(1) Supposing the standing requisitioned ships to be 2,150,000 tons, and newly constructed ships 500,000 tons in the first year, 700,000 tons in the second and 900,000 tons in the third, goods on civil demand of the self-supplying sphere could be transported monthly 5,770,000 kilotons in the first year, monthly 7,770,000 in the second and monthly 8,970,000 in the third.

"On the basis of this calculation, 4,820,000 "ilotons of ordinary steel and steel material may be needed in the first year, 4,970,000 in the second, and 5,200,000 in the third.

"(2) Next, although goods from French Indo-China and Thai, which are the only supplying spheres for Japan, absolutely needed, because of the world-wide suspension of trade, the procurement of them was expected to become difficult through machination and interference on the part of Britain and America.

"(3) In concausion, the stocks of various goods for domestic consumption will gradually decrease, and particularly so with those of liquid fuel. As an

example I may cite the case of crude oil.

"The following are quantities of crude oil for supply:

"Home production, 1st year, 360,000 K. L.

2nd " 400,000 "

3rd ." 440,000 "

"Synthetic oil, 1st " 300,000

2nd " 500,000 "

3rd " 700,000 "

"Against the above supply, its civil demands amount to 1,800,000 K. L. If the deficit were to be covered by the military stock, the civil demands can be met until the third year, but at the end of that year, will it become difficult to do so. If classified, the above deficit will be in kerosene, ordinary machine oil, high class machine oil and diesel crude oil. Even though a fundamental reestablishment of the synthetic oil enterprise is planned, satisfactory results cannot be expected at present.

Board in case of war being waged was that the oil difficulties wight be overcome by the procurement from newly occupied areas, and the shipping problem, too, might be solved somehow or other; thereby it was judged that minimum quantities of supply of important

goods might also be maintained, viz.

"(1) 0il: According to the joint investigation of the Army and Navy, the total quantities of supply were 850,000 K. L. in the first year, 2,600,000 in the second and 5,300,000 in the third. If the prospect of supply and demand is made on the basis of these figures plus 8,400,000 K. L. of domestic stock, there will be a balance of 2,550,000 K. L. in the first year, 150,000 in the second and 700,000 in the third year, which will meet the need though not satisfactorily. According to the estimate on the 1st of December, air-fuel was 1,110,000 K. L. This will cause some shortage in the second or third year.

"(2) Shipping: Transporting capacity was judged on the basis of the supposition that, in order to maintain the supply of goods, a monthly average of 3,000,000 tons of ships for civilians were needed; damages, estimated from 800,000 tons to 1,000,000 tons in the first year, could be supplemented by 3-year consecutive shipbuilding of yearly average 600,000 tons; and the requisition quantity by the Army and Navy would be 3,900,000 tons in the first period, but would decrease to 2,800,000 afterwards.

"(3) Important goods: After taking into consideration the current production quantity of iron

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and its future decrease, as well as the decrease in rice import from abroad, the procurement of important goods from the occupation areas in the South was anticipated.

"(4) After summing up the above, the judgment on the national strength was made in a concrete shape.

"24. It was at the end of October that the foregoing estimates were finally agreed upon, and it was on the let of November that this was approved by the Liaison Council. And it was on the 5th of November that the President of the Planning Board SUZUKI reported it in the Imperial conference. It is, however, regrettable that this record does not exist at present.

"On this 18th day of July, 1947, at I. M. T.

"Deponent: (S) OKADA, Kikusaburo."

"Appendix I

"Excerpt from a copy of the titled document, prepared by the Mobilization Plans Bureau of the War Ministry, investigated on June 1 in the 16th Year of Showa (1941), reinvestigated in March and rectified in April of the same year.

"Hypothetical appreciation of the Empire's material strength.

"Judgment.

"1. The national strength of the Empire as viewed from the aspect of materials cannot be free from anxiety in carrying out a protracted war against Britain and the U.S.A.

"As long as the enemies prefer to resort to decisive battles and challenge us accordingly, we should be able to maintain resiliency to destroy them until about the end of the second year. However, there is an apprehension that at about that time a shortage of liquid fuel, at least for a limited period of time, may be experienced and that the economic war potential will be much disturbed if the war situation should be protracted.

"This shortcoming will arise from the stoppage of importation and slackness in amplifying productivity. Production of steel and light metal may become brisk

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nuch depleted, but the expansion of domestic production will not in any way compensate for the stoppage of importation of the materials for the specific steel and non-iron metals; the gradual consumption of the present stock may barely patch up the need of the first two and half years, but will result in an extreme shortage of supply from the third year onward.

"As for the supply of liquid fuel, apprehension that there may exist a non-supply period between the time of restoration and development of the Dutch East Indies resources and that of the complete attrition of the hoard has not been quieted. This will emphasize the importance of shipping bottoms and will subsequently cause decreased coal transportation, with the result that industry as a whole will slump and the straightened circumstances in the field of light industry materials will pile difficulties on already existing anxieties concerning domestic problems.

"2. However, if circumstances so necessitate and Japan, with a view to deliberately seeking a way out of the difficulties, should decide to seize an opportunity of resolutely entering into war against Britain and the U.S.A., the operations should be executed in such

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a way that the warfare in the southern regions be terminated in the quickest possible manner and the resources in the Dutch East Indies be captured in the best condition, so that the above-mentioned apprehensions may be eliminated.

"With regard to the question of bottoms for transportation, the most discrete attention will be required to coordinate the operations and the economic problems, and, in particular, to secure the existing bottoms.

"Needless to say, in determining upon the resolution to wage war against Britain and the U.S.A., the present state of material strength makes it absolutely necessary for Japan to adhere to the fundamental necessity in this war of giving no rise to a Soviet-Japan war and of stabilizing domestic problems.

"Moreover, when the resolution upon war is reached, the following points should be thoroughly studied beforehand and counter measures must be prepared to the fullest extent:

"1. Because of the protracted war against Britain and the U.S.A., both the means of increasing army and navy armament and establishment of industries will not develop along the expected course.

"2. There will be a considerable declination for

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a time in supply of various materials.

"3. As long as the requirement of materials can be covered with the resources available within the Greater East Asia, the shortage can be filled sooner or later by devising some competent measures to utilize those resources, but the supply of non-ferrous metals and the metals as raw materials for the specific steel will be bound to experience an extreme shortage.

"After the occupation of the southern regions, attention should be concentrated upon making the most effective use of such materials as are exclusively found in those regions alone (tin, rubber, quinine) and of the special products of tropics. It is suggested that by offering those items to Germany, Italy and other axis countries as well as to the Soviet and other neutral countries, efforts should be made to obtain in exchange from them or from other parts of the world through their intermediation the required materials to promote the war potentials of the Empire. Attention must also be drawn to the surplus materials of that area which will have to lose their world's market through Japan's occupation, and a new trade policy should be established in such a way as would minister to each other's wants among Japan, Manchoukuo, China and the southern regions. The question of

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bottoms for transportation has great influence upon practice of this policy, and its outlook so far is not quite reassuring.

"Before making any determination in relation to the above appreciation as to the propriety and the time of execution of war against the southern regions, the separate report entitled 'Deduction of Empire's strength based on the appreciation of the present situations' should also be studied and a synthetic decision be made thereupon.

"Appendix II

"Hypothetical appreciation of the Empire's material strength on the basis of the present conditions."

"(Excerpt from a copy of the titled document, prepared by the Mobilization Plans Bureau of the War Ministry in March in the 16th Year of Showa (1941).

"l. Decision

"Japan should expedite economic negotiations with the Netherlands Indies as soon as possible to devote herself to the establishment of the self-supplying sphere of East Asian countries. Simultaneously, she should avoid provoking Britain and America meaninglessly, relying to the end upon the resources of their 'block,' to foster her national strength, thus

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The certificates with respect to the current documents are also attached, (a) and (c).

You may examine.

THE PRESIDENT: Brigadier Quilliam --

MR. LEVIN: Mr. President.

BY MR. LEVIN:

Q I would like to direct your attention, Mr. Witness, to paragraph 24 of your affidavit on page 26 of the English copy.

This is further examination, your Honor.

THE PRESIDENT: On whose behalf?

MR. LEVIN: On behalf of SUZUKI.

Q You state there, "It was at the end of October that the foregoing estimates were finally agreed upon." Will you please name the persons and officials who finally agreed upon those estimates that you mentioned in this portion of the paragraph?

A It was toward the end of October that the competent ministers of the government agreed to this estimate and the agreement which included members of the high command was reached on the first of November.

Q Will you state the names of the persons and the official positions that they held when they finally

agreed on the estimates at the end of October?

A At the end of October the ministers of the ministries of the government concerned.

Q Will you please state who they are, or who they were?

A I can state positively that the officials were included: the War Minister, the Navy Minister, and the President of the Planning Board.

Q Was the Minister of Transportation there?

A On the whole the transport minister would not have a very profound relationship with these matters but they would naturally have connection in connection with the question involving shipping. However, the Ministry of Communications would not have a very great connection in connection with the problem of losing ships or having ships requested by the army and navy.

Q Was he there? Did he participate in this agreement that occurred in the latter part of October?

A I generally consider that the ministers who participated in the agreement were those who were present at the liaison conference on the first of November.

Q And is this the best information that you can give to the Tribunal in relation to those

persons who were there at the end of October that the estimates that you gave were finally agreed upon?

went on when the high officials of the government met at the end of October; however, when the liaison conference was held in the Imperial Palace on the first of November it was necessary that I be there awaiting the members attending this conference in an antercom, or a waiting room, in the Palace and I had occasion to listen to their conversation while they took meals during the recess. However, with respect to your last question as to who participated in the agreement at the cabinet conference toward the end of October, I cannot say.

MR. LEVIN: That is all.

MR. LOGAN: I would like to point out, if the Tribunal please, a typographical error on page 28, appendix I: "June 1," should be "January 1."

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Comyns Carr.

MR. COMYNS CARR: May it please the Tribunal, it appears that there are two documents in the witness' possession -- at least two -- of which he has produced only extracts and the prosecution would like to have the opportunity of examining the documents in full. We do not want to take up the time of the Tribunal by

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asking questions about them now, but if the witness will produce the whole documents so that they can be identified and we can afterwards examine them, that would be sufficient.

CROSS-EXAMINATION

BY MR. COMYNS CARR:

Q Mr. Witness, have you them with you?

A It is in the hands of counsel, Dr. KIYOSE.

MR. COMYNS CARR: I call for their production.

THE WITNESS: I should like to present it on the condition that it would be returned to me.

Q Mr. Witness, would you explain -- I am informed that all that we have here are these extracts which you have attached to your affidavit. Where are the original copies which you say are in your possession?

A I have left the originals in the hands of Dr. KIYOSE.

MR. COMYNS CARR: I do not want to waste time over this. Can my friend undertake that they will be produced to us?

MR. LOGAN: You ask that we produce originals. His affidavit says that the originals were burned. He has the copies of those originals and we will produce those. They were filed in the clerk's office.

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Q Are those two which you say are with Dr. KIYOSE, are those two the only documents referred to in your affidavit of which you have copies?

A I happen to have a carbon copy of the manuscript typed at that time.

Q But what I was asking you was, have you got similar copies of any other of the documents which are referred to in your affidavit besides the two which you have undertaken to produce?

A I do not.

Q Now, I have only one other question to ask you. Who were the persons who were present at the liaison conference of the 1st November, 1941?

A Usually the members of the liaison conference were fixed, but from time to time other members attended for special reasons.

Q Will you now answer my question, if you can. Who were present on this occasion?

A Those attending this liaison conference included the Prime Minister, the War Minister, the Navy Minister, the Foreign Minister, the Finance Minister, the President of the Planning Board, the Chief of the Army General Staff, the Chief of the Naval General Staff, the Vice Chief of the Army General Staff, the Vice Chief of the Naval General

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Staff, the Director of the Military Affairs Bureau of the War Ministry, the Director of the Mobilization Plans Bureau of the War Ministry, the Director of the Naval Affairs Bureau of the Navy Ministry, the Director of the Mobilization Plans Bureau of the Navy Ministry, and according to problems involved, some bureau chiefs of the Foreign Office also attended.

MR. LOGAN: May the witness be released on the usual terms?

THE PRESIDENT: He is released accordingly.

(Whereupon, the witness was excused.)

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Comyns Carr.

MR. COMYNS CARR: Subject to the possibility of our having some more questions when we have examined those documents, we have no objection to the witness being released.

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Logan, have you many more affidavits like that of the last witness?

MR. LOGAN: In what respect do you mean like them?

THE PRESIDENT: Tending to show the Japanese were not prepared for war.

MR. LOGAN: We have other affidavits, your Honor, with respect to other industries. We have

very few of them.

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We now offer in evidence defense document 500-F which contains studies of the overseas trade of Japan proper prepared for the Foreign Economic Administration by a member of the staff of the United States Tariff Commission in October 1945. This is a general study relating to the trade and individual commodities with certain countries to the whole prewar trade situation. This document presents a picture of the position of trade in the Japanese economy, Japan's trade and world trade and the direction thereof, the nature of the trade, the import and export of commodities. This document also is offered only for the factual statements contained therein and any opinions should be disregarded. I shall read only the marked portions, found on pages 1 to 3, 6 to 15, 18 to 22.

THE PRESIDENT: Brigadier Quilliam.

BRIGADIER QUILLIAM: May it please the Tribunal, I was under the impression that my learned friend was going to defer offering this document and the next one, a similar set of documents, until a further examination of them had been made.

THE PRESIDENT: We may receive hundreds of documents tending to show the true economic position

of Japan, yet there may be no doubt about it. The thing could perhaps be dealt with in a very short compass. We know that she has limited resources apart from labor power, and we know that they have a teeming population here. All those things are well known to us.

MR. LOGAN: I will be glad to take this and the next document up with the prosecution the same as we did yesterday.

Defense document 880 is now offered in evidence. This is a United States Department of State Interim Research and Intelligence Service Report issued October 31, 1945, on the Japanese shipbuilding industry. This report discusses the entire shipbuilding industry, its corporate structure, history of government control, and the capacity and technological aspect of the industry.

THE PRESIDENT: Brigadier Quilliam.

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BRIGADIER QUILLIAM: May it please the 13 Tribunal, we object to this document, but I must confess that the prosecution is in somewhat of a dilemma. 15 Some of the contents of the document are relevant, but 16 very much more is quite irrelevant. It is plain, on a 17 perusal of the document, that Mr. Liebert's evidence on the matters contained in the document was taken 19 from this very publication. What he did was to 20 summarize in a convenient form the strictly relevant and material parts. 22

Examining the document, the first page is, we submit, irrelevant because it deals with the period after December 1941.

Page 2 is irrelevant because it deals with a period too remote to have any application in this case.

As regards pages 3 to 8, the whole of this information is summarized in exhibit 840, and in paragraphs 48 and 50. Exhibit 840 is Mr. Liebert's statement.

I don't know whether it is the desire of the defense that the Tribunal should satisfy themselves that Mr. Liebert has made an accurate statement, but it would appear to be quite unnecessary to overload the case with the full material.

THE PRESIDENT: If this document supports
Liebert, why, as a matter of tactics, do you object,
Brigadier? Without it, you see, Liebert may have no
support; I don't know. Mr. Logan alleged yesterday
that Liebert's figures had no support other than his
mere say-so. If that is true, you shouldn't object
to this document if it gives the necessary support.

BRIGADIER QUILLIAM: May it please your Honor, I emphatically disagree with Mr. Logan's statement on that point, of course. But your Honor's comments point to the dilemma in which I explained we are placed.

If I may just refer to the balance of the

document, bottom of page 8 to page 14, we submit the whole of that is irrelevant by reason of being concerned with the period after December 1941. In many respects, if it please the Tribunal, we would like the relevant portion that I have referred to to be admitted into evidence; but we have felt it our duty to inform the Tribunal that this is merely the full text from which the summary has been prepared.

must always keep in mind, Brigadier Quilliam, that I am inclined to overlook. There is a charge of a huge conspiracy starting in 1928 and ending in 1945, and, as I am reminded, the war of course is alleged to have been waged right up to September 1945 or August 1945.

BRIGADIER QUILLIAM: The place for the prosecution, if it please your Honor, on this point, that is, the economic preparations for war, was all based on what took place up to December 1941.

THE PRESIDENT: The Indictment does not place that time limitation, as far as I recollect. However, we will go into the matter after the recess.

We will recess for fifteen minutes.

(Whereupon, at 1050, a recess was taken until 1105, after which the proceedings

were resumed as follows:)

MARSHAL OF THE COURT: The International Military Tribunal for the Far East is now resumed.

THE PRESIDENT: Brigadier Quilliam.

BRIGADIER QUILLIAM: May it please the Tribunal, as regards the evidence relating to the period after the 7th of December, 1941, all I wish to say is that, in fact, the prosecution limited its case to the period prior to that date, and, therefore, the defense has nothing to meet. In dealing with that period it is suggested the defense are pushing an open door.

As regards the relevant part of the document,

I must repeat that we have felt it our duty to direct
the Tribunal's attention to the matters that I have
mentioned. So far as we can see, no attempt is
made to suggest that Liebert's summary is wrong in
any way or inadequate, and, therefore, it appears
to be unnecessary to admit it into evidence. But,
I can appreciate that if there is any doubt on that
point it may be better to have that in the case.

MR. LOGAN: I can appreciate the prosecution's dilemma in regard to this document.

THE PRESIDENT: Yes, Mr. Logan.
MR. LOGAN: I say I can fully appreciate

the prosecution's dilemma with regard to this document. We were unable to unearth one of the documents which Liebert used in the preparation of his testimony, not because the information was given by him to us. And among other reasons why we are offering this document, one of which is very important, that is to show how inadequate Liebert's testimony is and how favorable it is to the prosecution as compared to the document from which he got his information.

With regard to the prosecution's specific objection on page 1, that it deals with the period after 1941, apparently they forget that there is still in this case a conspiracy and also a charge of our failure to feed prisoners of war. This is one of the answers.

THE PRESIDENT: For different reasons we think the whole of this document might well be admitted. The part that is probably too remote in time is very, very small. That is the beginning. And that last point you make seems to be sound, about the absence of shipping to feed prisoners of war.

The objection is overruled and the document is admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Defense document 880

will receive exhibit No. 2768.

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(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked defense exhibit No. 2768 and received in evidence.)

MR. LOGAN: I shall read exhibit 2768, being defense document 880.

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"INTERIM RESEARCH AND INTELLIGENCE SERVICE

"Research and Analysis Branch

"JAPANESE WAR PRODUCTION INDUSTRIES

"Part IV

"The Shipbuilding Industry

"31 October 1945

merchant and naval vessels had so reduced the number of oceangoing ships that she was unable to find the transport required both to supply military forces committed in various areas and to move the volume of raw materials necessary to maintain 1943 levels of industrial output. In order to make ship construction equal losses, Japan would have had to build merchant vessels at the rate of at least 2,500,000 gross tons in 1944.

"Latest figures as revealed by the Japanese

Diet (5 September 1945) indicate that the nation had no more than 200,000 odd gross tons of operable merchant tonnage (over 100 tons) left at the gessation of hostilities. Diet figures for wartime naval building and losses are given in Table 10.

"B. Organization of the Shipbuilding

Industry

"1. Brief History and Economic Considerations.

"a. Review to 1932. In addition to considering the specific questions of security and convertibility in the Japanese shipbuilding industry, it is necessary that we review historically and briefly the economic aspects of the shipbuilding industry in Japan with a view to determining to what extent the industry has been expanded along uneconomic lines.

Japanese Government has paid close attention to shipping problems, and soon after the war of 1895 in China, it embarked on a program of subsidies governed by laws enacted in 1896. The abnormal boom conditions prevailing during World War I, when (in 1919) 62,000 gross tons of merchant ships were launched, diminished the need for subsidies, but soon afterwards the annual amount of operating subsidies tended to revert to dimensions of 1914.

"During the 1920's the shipbuilding industry entered a long period of depression. Merchant ship construction dropped to a low of 42,000 gross tons in 1927, and operating subsidies amounted to about ten million yen a year. During this period, the Government did not give direct shipbuilding subsidies, but assisted shipbuilders by means of bounties on domestic steel production and certain exemptions from import duties. In 1929 the Government framed a program for the assistance of shipping in the form of loans on easy terms for shipbuilding. A loan fund of thirty million yen was made available, but owing to the world economic depression which followed, little use was made of this facility. A slow increase then began; the rate of increase was greatly accelerated in the early 30's by a government subsidized program of merchant ship construction. Under government direction Japanese lines acquired fast cargo ships which were the equal of any in their class in the world.

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"b. Scrap and Build Schemes; Shipbuilding
During the 1930's. In 1932, the Japanese Government
made an important decision when, with a view to improving the unfavorable age distribution of the Japanese Merchant Marine and to reducing the frequency of
marine casualties, it introduced the first of three
'Scrap and Build' Schemes. The first scheme, which
took effect as of 1 October 1932, provided for the construction of 200,000 gross tons of new shipping, on
condition that two tons of vessels of twenty-five years
and over were scrapped for each ton of new vessels
built under subsidy. Each new vessel had to be 4,000
gross tons or over, capable of at least thirteen and
one-half knots speed, and built in a Japanese yard.

"The scheme resulted in the scrapping of ninety-four vessels of about 400,000 gross tons and in the building of thirty-one new vessels of about 200,000 gross tons.

"It was estimated that the expenditure involved in building the thirty-one ships was a little less than 55,000,000 yen. The total government subsidy was nearly 11,000,000 yen.

"The second and third schemes, which took effect in 1935 and 1936 respectively, were on a smaller scale than the first. Their combined result was the

scrapping of 100,000 gross tons and the construction of seventeen vessels of about 100,000 gross tons, the rate of substry being little more than half that under the first scheme. The vessels built had a gross tonnage of 4,000 tons or more and were capable of over fifteen knots speed.

"By the early part of 1937, the three Scrap and Build Schemes had resulted in the scrapping of some 500,000 gross tons of old tonnage and the construction of forty-eight new fast ships of some 300,000 tons gross. These forty-eight included more than four-fifths of the total number of Japanese vessels of over 4,000 gross tons and less than five years old. At that time Japan had more tonnage less than five years old in proportion to her total tonnage than any other country. The following table shows the ships constructed and scrapped in accordance with the three ship improvement plans.

"Table 17

"Ships Constructed and Scrapped in Accordance with the Three Ship Improvement Plans

"Ships Constructed

"Plan	Number	Total Tonnage
"First	31	198,989
"Second	8	49,760
"Third	9	50,690
"Total	48	299,439

"Ships Dismantled

"Number	Total Tonnage	Fiscal Year	
" 94	399,122	1931-34	
" 12	47,235	1936-37	
" 119	499,155		

"Note: It was not possible to ascertain the number of vessels actually dismantled under the third plan.

"The cost of the three ship improvement plans totalled ¥ 14,000,000 (\$4,062,800), including ¥ 11,000,000 for the first plan and ¥ 1,500,000 for each of the next two plans.

April 1937 and provided for the subsidized construction of superior passanger and passenger-crago liners of not less then 6,000 gross tons and nineteen knots speed, at rates of subsidy approximating in some cases half the building cost. In a supplement to the Official Gazette of July 1937, it was stated that the subsidies, though payable by installments spread over eighteen years, would be paid during the next four years for the construction of 150,000 gross tons of passenger vessels and 150,000 gross tons of passenger-cargo vessels. It was proposed to spend a total of over fifty million yen on this scheme during the eighteen years beginning with 1937-1938.

"Table 18 gives the total launchings of

vessels of 100 gross tons and upwards for selected years between 1913 and 1938:

"Table 18

"Total Launchings of Merchant Vessels (in tons)

"Date	Number	Tonnage
"1913	152	64,664
"1920	140	456,642
"1930	37	151,272
"1932	44	54,422
"1934	155	152,420
"1936	180	294,861
"1937	180	451,121
"1938	146	441,720

"Source: Shipbuilding in Japan, 1940 (Japan Economic Federation).

"The trend in the middle thirties was towards the construction of luxury passanger liners for deep-sea service, but was reversed after the outbreak of the war with China. The shipbuilding industry directly reflected the change in shipping needs from large-sized vessels for deep-sea service to small and medium-sized bottoms for coastal trade. Of the total orders placed up to the end of May 1939, 165 cargo vessels accounted for 808,670 tons. Of those, thirty-four vessels larger than the 7,000-ton class amounted to 306,600 tons, while 133 under 6,000 tons totalled 502,070 tons. Compared with the figures for 30 November 1938 or six months earlier, the former class showed a decline of two in number and 27,930 in tonnage, but the

latter class gained eighty-five in number and 325,420 in tonnage.

"Table 19 shows the ships launched by 1,000 ton classes between 1932 and 1938. Little change in emphasis is visible here.

"Table 19" --

THE PRESIDENT: I think we can take this as read.

MR. LOGAN: I just wanted to call your Honor's attention -- I won't read all of those figures -- to the fact that a great majority of those ships were smaller tonnage. I shall read the totals:

"No. of Ships	tons	No. of Ships	tons	Ships	tons
" 10	43,760	20	124,180	63	270,710
"No. of Ships	1937 tons	No. of Ships	1938 tons		
" 93	419,665	77	414,090		

"c. Naval Construction; Comparison with Merchant Vessel Construction.

"Naval vessel construction was of course also stressed during this period, as is shown by the following table (Table 20). Merchant ship launchings are also shown in this table and it will be noted that minor variations exist between these figures and those previously given in Table 19. These differences are

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not significant, but largely reflect different source material. The information below is carried over into 1940."

THE PRESIDENT: I notice that the shipping figures are from the Far East Yearbook, 1941. Does that mean that Mr. Liebert took his figures from that yearbook?

MR. LOGAN: He didn't take his figures from this yearbook, your Honor, and I wish to call your attention to page 8,318 to the top of page 8,322. That is four pages of the record which constituted his entire testimony with regard to shipbuilding. I think if you follow the wording on page 3 of the document from which I am reading with Liebert's testimony on page 8,318 and 8,319, you will find that he used this document, from which he extracted some of the material. For example, he failed to tell the Court about the number of gross tons and the number of ships which were scrapped. He just told, on his direct testimony, the number that were built.

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THE PRESIDENT: I merely want to know where Liebert got his figures. If he took them from the Far East Yearbook, he took them from a book which the prosecution said yesterday should not be relied on.

MR. LOGAN: As I say, your Honor, if you will follow the wording of Liebert's testimony and the wording of this document, you will see that it is practically word for word, with the exception of parts he skipped, and he skipped quite a great deal.

THE PRESIDENT: Brigadier Quilliam.

BRIGADIER QUILLIAM: May it please your Honor, with reference to your Honor's comment about Mr. Liebert using figures from the Far East Yearbook, may I be permitted to remind the Tribunal of the following?

THE PRESIDENT: I didn't say he took them from the Far East Yearbook. I asked whether he did. Perhaps Mr. Logan can't say yes or no.

BRIGADIER QUILLIAM: I think in any one instance he may well have done so, but what I wanted to remind the Tribunal was Mr. Liebert's statement that he had used every source and checked a lot of figures in every possible way before submitting them to the Tribunal.

MR. LOGAN: I only wish we knew what other books he used, your Honor.

THE PRESIDENT: I wouldn't carry on the discussion any further, Brigadier; there is no need to.

I shouldn't have made that inquiry perhaps, but I was interested to know whether he did use a book which you said had no value.

pour Honor's ruling, but I was prevented yesterday, or rather, I refrained yesterday, because I didn't want to take up more time, from challenging the completely misleading statement, now repeated by my learned friend, that the defense have not been fairly treated in connection with the sources of Mr. Liebert's evidence.

MR. LOGAN: The statements I made yesterday are just as true today, your Honor. I wish we knew the sources of the rest of his testimony. With the exception of a few charts, we don't know.

THE PRESIDENT: There is no need to say anything, Brigadier. We are clear about the position.

Proceed with the reading of the affidavit.

"TABLE 20

Total Tonnage of Steel Merchant Ships and

Naval Vessels Launched by Yards in Japan

and Japanese-Controlled Territory, 1934-1940.

Naval Ships		Merchant Ships	
(displ. tons)		(Gross tons)	
1940 1939 1938 1937 1936 1935	157,510 118,790 53,812 52,258 53,305 39,762	208,014 342,880 438,890 487,357 305,803 145,901 154,860	

Source: Glasgow Herald, Annual Trade Review, 1936,

1937,1938.
Lloyd's Register of Shipping. London, Special tabulation supplied in March, 1943.
Janes' Fighting Ships, 1941. Oriental Economist (Tokyo) April, 1936.

a/ Includes only the output in Japan proper.

"2. Government Encouragement and Supervision: Laws.

a. Shipbuilding Industry Law. The China and European Wars necessitated a large increase in the military shipping of Japan. It was necessary to make up for war losses in shipping as well as for the decreases in neutral and world shipping. For the most part Japan had to rely upon her own power

1/ Passed by the 74th Session of the Diet in 1939.

and ability for further shipbuilding.

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"To cope with this newly arisen situation,

Japan enacted several important shipping acts including the Emergency Shipping Control Act, the Shipbuilding Industry Act, and the Shipbuilding Control Act. Of these laws, the most fundamental is the Shipbuilding Industry Act, whose nature and function it will be well to describe in detail. The law has been described by a semi-official Japanese source in this way:

"(i) Purpose of the Law. 'The purpose of the Law is to increase the supply of vessels at low costs and the maintenance of adequate shipbuilding capacity from the viewpoint of national defense. The law as passed by the 74th session of the Diet in 1939 provides measures for Government protection and control of the shipbuilding industry.'

"(ii) Government Supervision. 'By this
Law the shipbuilding industry is brought under strict
Government supervision. The establishment of new
enterprises, amalgamation, and cessation of work of
shipbuilding companies are subject to permission from
the Government.'

"(iii) Shipbuilders' Privileges. 'Shipbuilders, however, are given the right of eminent amount twice their paid-up capital. The government may issue instructions as regards the building of hulls, engines, and equipment not yet made in this country, and may grant subsidies in such cases. It may also order shipbuilders to use domestic products in building hulls, engines, and equipment. The government may set standards for quality and may disqualify products which do not conform to this standard.

"(iv) Government Subsidy and Indemnity,
The Government may, if necessary for the promotion
of the shipbuilding industry, grant subsidies to
either shipbuilders or shipowners. The Government
may, in the public interest, order shipbuilders to
effect changes in prices for vessels, hulls, engines
and equipment, as well as in repair costs, etc. The
Government may also, when deemed necessary in the
public interest, demand the installation, enlargement and improvement of equipment, the repair of vessels, hulls, engines, and equipment, and the establishment of facilities for research on specified
subjects. The Government may indemnify shipbuilders
for any losses incurred by shipbuilders in the execution of these orders.

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Cartels. 'The Law also contains provision for cooperative associations which may be organized by shipbuilders for collective purchasing, administration

"(v) The Right to Organize Compulsory

of materials, establishment of facilities for common use, control of business activities of members, and

research work for the common benefit. The Govern-

ment may order members of these associations to

comply with regulations and may instruct outsiders

to join the organizations. Finally, the Government

may instruct such organizations to undertake certain

activities for the healthful development of the industry.'

"b. Fundamental Shipbuilding Regulations. While thus strengthening the control over shipping and shipbuilding on the one hand, Japan adopted six measures in 1939 describing the standard for cargo vessels in order to encourage construction of these vessels on the other. Out of this a new national shipping policy grew up, under which a number of

plans were put into execution. "But as an aftermath of 7 December 1941 a demand for more rapid increase in Japan's shipbuild-

ing arose. To meet the situation, a set of funda-

mental systematic shipbuilding regulations were

adopted and made public in May 1942. These regulaations were drawn up on the assumption that shipbuilders were to build, according to government plan and
with powerful government assistance, as many ships
within a certain period of time as the demand warranted. For the realization of this program, the
following technical qualifications were considered
essential:

"(i) For a determined standard-size ship, certain fixed specifications of the ship's hull, engine equipment, and other parts were to be furnished to the builder along with the necessary drawings. The idea was to help facilitate mass production of ships. It was, in short, to standardize the planning, so that complications would no longer arise as they had in the past when different shipbuilders presented individual ideas, plans and drawings.

"(ii) With regard to the order for a nonstandard ship, construction work would not be accepted generally, except in such a special case as the building of a passenger boat.

"(iii) In order to obtain the highest degree of efficiency from every individual shippard, each yard would be assigned the building of a certain class of ship under the standardization plan, and would

make the construction of such a type its speciality.

There were nineteen classes, all told, running as

follows: six classes or grades for cargo vessels,

three for oil tankers, one for ore-carrying ships,

five for wooden vessels, and four for wooden barges.

The classes were divided as follows:

Freighters:

,400	tons
900	tons
830	tons
495	tons
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Tankers: Total tonnage of 10,000 tons, 5,000 tons and 1,000 tons.

Mineral ore freighters: Total tonnage of 5,500 tons.

The above vessels are made of steel. Vessels of smaller types, due to the lack of steel, are made of word. They are called standard wartime wooden ships. They may be divided into two kinds:

Wooden freighters: Total tonnage of 250 tons, 200 tons, 150 tons, 100 tons and 70 tons.

Light wooden ships: Loaded tonnage of 300 tons, 200 tons, 150 tons and 100 tons.

"c. Other Rationalization Techniques.

Aside from the point that individual builders were to come under the standardized shipbuilding scheme, the following points were also stressed:

"(1) Standardized specification for steel used in shipbuilding, (ii) development to the utmost of the scope within which substitute materials are used, (iii) simplification of the ship's hull, engine, and equipment, (iv) expansion of the scope within which electric welding is applied, and (v) general saving of materials by improving shipbuilding technique.

"3. Administration

The Navy Ministry (Kaigun-sho). On 5 February 1942, the Government promulgated the Imperial Ordinance relating to the special wartime case of jurisdiction with regard to the business of shipbuilding. This (a) limited the authority of the shipbuilding industry to regulate the supply and demand of important materials used for ships (i.e., set up a priority system); and (b) transferred to the jurisdiction of the Ministry of the Navy, for the duration of the war only, jurisdiction (hitherto in the hands of the Minister of Communications (Tsushin-sho)) over construction and repair of merchant vessels.

"Besides insuring elasticity between materials for naval construction and materials for merchant
ship construction, this change made a single system
out of the two construction plans, and in general
contrived to regulate both. This put the construc-

tion of naval and merchant vessels fundamentally on the same footing. For it was desirable that the question of the relative percentage of naval and merchant craft to be constructed should be governed by a unified plan, in accordance with the availability of materials, building facilities, and current requirement.

"Only general schedules, however, were to be set up by the Navy Ministry, while the allocation of orders and raw materials for specific yards were to be handled by the industrial Equipment Management Corporation on the one hand, and by the Shipbuilding Control Association (Zosen Toseikai), on the other.

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"b. Industrial Equipment Management
Corporation. Under the system of standard production and unified design which we have already described, ordering of ships by a single authority was inescapable, and the machinery that was set up to play
the part of the single ordering authority was the
Industrial Equipment Management Corporation. This
National Policy Company took over the wartime standardpattern ship program, on the basis of the government
ship construction plans, and gave contracts to all
the shipyards.

"Aside from these activities, the corpor-

ation became the main instrument for financing Japanese shipbuilders and guaranteeing them against loss. In effect, it was/the same time a device for subsidizing the industry and for providing it with compensation in the case of loss, all at public expense.

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"According to the charter of this corporation, the necessary number of ships are to be assured as long as the country needs them. This the government accomplishes, on the one hand, by making part of the cost of building new ships a direct national burden, and, on the other hand, by supplying floating capital for shipbuilding. By revising the ordinance concerning compensation of losses, the Government raised the limit of the floating capital it would supply from two-thirds to four-fifths of the capital value of any one shipperd. By lowering the sphere of application of these provisions it extends them to all ships classified as small wartime standard-pattern ships. It has also equalized compensation for loss of capital through its monetary organ, the Industrial Bank of Japan. (In connection with shipbuilding finences it is interesting to note that the Bank of Japan allegedly supplied ¥ 192,000,000 in 1942, in addition to the capital coming from other government agencies).

"In the event that there ceases to be a

national need for the finished ships and the corporation shall have occasion to sell them for private use, it has been decided that the Government shall pay compensation for losses incurred by the corporation and that the standard prices for constructing ships and for transferring them shall be decided by the Government.

"The foregoing practices, besides establishing a financial policy, made the IEMC responsible for the positive expansion of shipbuilding through the application of two pivotal principles, namely, simplification of pattern and unitary construction -- one yard, one type. (See Appendix IVe for additional details).

"c. Shipbuilding Control Society. The Shipbuilding Control Society is the central body directing the control associations in this industry. (To the Society is appended a consultative association which includes the related industrial control associations). The Shipbuilding Control Society assists in handling the supply of materials under a priority system. Affiliated with the central Shipbuilding Control Society are five regional shipbuilding consultative associations made up of the medium and small scale manufacturers.

"According to a semi-official Japanese source, the Shipbuilding Control Society has been described as one of the planning agencies for general advancement of national power which has been established in Tokyo in accordance with the Major Industries Association Ordinance of September 1941. Member organizations of this society are designated by the Navy Ministry (formerly by the Ministry of Communications) on the basis of the following requirements:

- (i) Any shipbuilding association which builds ships over 100 meters long or constructs engines for ships, or both, may be admitted as a member organization.
- (ii) Any shipbuilding proprietor who cannot meet the foregoing requirements is not to be admitted.
- (iii) Any proprietor who manufactures or repairs parts for ships of the required length as mentioned above may become a member.
- (iv) Exceptions to the above regulations may be made upon the approval of the Navy Ministry (formerly upon approval of Communications Ministry).

"The principal aim of the control society is to construct and repair ships within the framework of national planning of the Japanese Government. In order to carry this program into effect the society

has also to secure the necessary raw materials and apply expert technique. The leading personnel members of the Shipbuilding Control Society include the President of the Society, the Chairmen of the Board of Directors, several Directors, several Supervisors, and several Advisers. The President of the Society is appointed by the Navy Minister (formerly by the Communications Minister). The Chairman and Members of the Board of Directors are appointed by the President of the Society, but with the approval of the same Minister, who, as he sees fit, may order the dissolution of the Shipbuilding Control Society. The Society holds an annual meeting at its General Headquarters within two months following the end of each year. Provisional meetings may be called upon the suggestion of the President.

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"Each member organization is required to
make reports to General Headquarters concerning its
construction progress, the condition of ships which
it is repairing, the nature of the furnishings of its
ships, establishment of new branches or various
changes, relating to the ships themselves, labor,
capital, and planning. (See Appendix IVf for a list
of members of the Shipbuilding Control Society).

"d. Local Associations (Kumiai) in

Wooden Shipbuilding. At the outbreak of war, Japan's wooden shipbuilding industry consisted of over 3,000 yards, most of them employing less than ten workers and building small vessels by traditional handicraft methods. To unify and expand them to an industry capable of building a cargo fleet of significant dimensions has meant a drastic reorganization of the industry.

dation of these yerds under centralized government control. The 1.000 yerds were reduced by merger to 500 and these in turn organized into 41 local associations, or Kurici (in all urban and rural prefectures). These wooden shipbuilding associations were further organized into one unit, the Japanese Federation of Wooden Shipbuilding Associations.

according to standard specifications were then allotted to each firm by the Japanese Federation of Wooden Shipbuilding Associations (later merged in or affiliated with the Shipbuilding Control Society under the "New Economic Structure"), under the direct control of the Ministry of Communications (later probably under the Navy Ministry.) The Navy, which controls steel ship construction, was given supervisory power over the building of vessels under fifty meters, as well as

the control over the supply of engines and fittings. Quotas of materials, machinery, tools, etc., were allocated under the national economic mobilization plans. Low-cost financing and bonuses for production afforded fin-netal incentives. "

"Excerpts, pages IV-239; IV-252 - IV-257; IV-259 - IV-269.4

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Logan, we gave the prosecution the right to submit synopses of documents -afficavits in their case. I suggest that you also
exercise the right, which is extended to you. Your
case is not improved by smothering us with a welter
of details like these. It would be better for you
to pick out the things that really matter and put
them in the form of a synopsis, which the prosecution
could not object to, because we allowed them to do it.
They tendered the whole document, which was an affidavit in every case if I recollect rightly, and read
a synopsis of it. I think only the synopsis went into
the transcript.

MR. LOGAN: That was only with regard to atrocities, your Honor. They had such a volume of evidence as to that that it was thought advisable to do that at that time. But no suggestion has been made to us prior to this. If it had been made six weeks ago, we would have endeavored to do something along that line.

THE PRESIDENT: You can still tender all these documents you have prepared and they will be admitted, subject to any objections. You will give us in addition a synopsis and read only the synopsis, not the documents. That won't take a lot of time.

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MR. LOGAN: Of course we have communications and letters in addition to these basic documents on economics. Do you mean a summary of those too?

THE PRESIDENT: I am just telling you you have the right to do it. I am advising you to exercise it. It is for you to decide whether you will.

MR. LOGAN: We now offer in evidence defense document 501-E, which is an excerpt from the Far East Yearbook for 1931 that was marked for identification yesterday.

This excerpt succinctly sets forth the highlights of Japan's financial policy from 1931 to 1938. I didn't intend to offer this, if it please the Court, if the document I had offered from Fahs yesterday had been accepted, but you suggested at that time that we get this information from the Far East Yearbook and this is that document.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Defense document 501-E

will receive exhibit No. 2769.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked defense exhibit 2769 and received in evidence.)

MR. LOGAN: Reading from exhibit 2769: "FROM THE FAR EAST YEAR BOOK 1041.

"THE RECENT SITUATION

"GENERAL REMARKS

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"The military outbreak in Manchuria in 1931 marked the first turning point in the financial policy of the Japanese Government. The change had to be made to meet the emergency conditions brought about by the country's advance on the continent. The new state born in Manchuria had to be financially aided. For her defense Japan assumed full responsibility. Manchuria's natural resources had to be developed at a high tempo to supply raw material for the expanding needs of Japan's heavy industries. All these and other undertakings involved heavy capital outlays. Japan's financial operations rapidly expanded, and the situation was met almost entirely by means of public borrowing. There was a definite departure from the deflationist policy rigidly enforced by Finance Minister INOUYE under the HAMAGUCHI administration. But this period of stringent economics and low costs had laid the foundations for the period of productive expansion that was to follow under the so-called "semiwartime conditions' of the country and that continues under the full wartime conditions imposed on the country by the undeclared war with China. The growing

financial requirements were also met in good part by extending trade activities abroad.

"SECOND TURNING POINT

"The second turning point in the financial policy of the country was seen in the period of which the now historic 'incident on February 26,' 1930 was the most outstanding landmark. "ith the rise of military influence, emphasis was laid upon the defense adjustment of the country. Under the policy of Finance Minister Baba the growing state expenditures were met partly by increased taxation and partly by borrowing. The plan, however, of extensively managed economics which he was to have embarked upon proved unpopular. Finance Minister Yuki who followed him chiefly directed his policy to 'The expansion of productive capacity.'

"THIRD TURNING POINT

"The third turning point was noted after July, 1937 when the undeclared war broke out with China. Under the wartime conditions now imposed on the country the popular legislature met and approved the fiscal program involving an increase of taxes and further public borrowings. A total of ¥ 2,500 million was voted as was expenses for the period July, 1937 to January, 1938. The wartime financial policy

of the country was now based on three fundamental principles, namely, 'expansion of productive power,' 'the maintenance of the country's international payment balance,' and 'the adjustment of supply and demand of commodities.'

"FOURTH TURNING POINT

"The fourth and last turning point came when on January 16, 1938, the Japanese Government declared that 'it would no longer deal with Chiang Kai-shek or his Government.' In plain language this statement meant two things: first, that Japan had definitely broken diplomatic relations with the Nationalist regime of China; and second, that Japan was to prepare herself for any 'long term resistance' that China might offer. Under these wartime conditions the Government had to re-examine its financial policy and reshape it. The Imperial Diet, meeting in session in January, 1938, approved a number of legislative measures involving sweeping changes in the fields of state economy, corporate finance, foreign trade, industries, and labor.

"PREVENTION OF INFLATION

"Next, emphasis is laid on the prevention of inflationary developments, which are thought likely, and even inevitable in some quarters, as a result taken in the same direction is the encouraging of savings. This was made definite when ex-Finance Minister KAYA spoke at the meeting of savings banks in April, 1938, shortly after the conclusion of the Diet session. He said that the savings made annually through the financial institutions amounted to something like ¥2,500 million. This amount should be raised to ¥7,000 and even to ¥8,000 million for 1938. He gave the annual income of the nation at approximately ¥15,000 million. Popular savings are also to be encouraged, a special bureau being established for this purpose with an independent budgetary appropriation of ¥1 million.

"ECONOMIES IN CONSUMPTION

"Since any undue inflation of the circulation is to be avoided, the official policy is now chiefly directed toward rigid economics in consumption. The restriction of imports is now leading to the control of consumption in the country, as seen in the cases of cotton goods, rubber, petroleum, etc. The investment of capital reserves in any lines outside the province of wartime industries has been checked under the revised law for regulation on capital, effective since January, 1938. Capital payment and

debenture issuance are also now subject to strict control. At the same time the corporations capitalized at over half a million were one and all required 2 to report their capitalization schemes for 1938 by the middle of February, 1938. The operations of capital reserves held by the life insurance companies were placed by Imperial Ordinance, issued on January 11, 1938 under the joint supervision of the three Ministers of Commerce-Industry, Finance and Welfare. This system practically enforces on the insurance companies the duty of purchasing national bonds." THE PRESIDENT: I think the Second Turning 12 Point was in February 1932 -- 1936. 13 MR. LOGAN: Yes. 14 THE PRESIDENT: We will adjourn until half-15 16 past one. (Thereupon, at 1200, a recess was 17 18 taken.) 19 20 21 22 23 24 Nice, the cortered debt seems to preserve welfor atomatic 25

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MARSHAL OF THE COURT: The International G Military Tribunal for the Far East is now resumed. 1 r THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Logan. e n 3 b g & В 7 debt of Japan up to 1940. 8

MR. LOGAN: If the Tribunal please, we now offer in evidence defense document 501D which is an excerpt from the Far East Year Book of 1941. This document is offered for the purpose of showing the national

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. CLERK OF THE COURT: Defense document 501D will receive exhibit No. 2770.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked defense exhibit No. 2770 and received in evidence.)

MR. LOGAN: I now read exhibit 2770, being defense document 501D from the Far East Year Book of 1941, page 239.

"NATIONAL DEBT

"The Russo-Japanese War 1904-05 increased the debt by 1,500 millions, making a total of 2,189 millions. For the railway nationalization, 606 millions was raised in 1906, the total rising to 2,585 millions on the level of which the debt was stabilized with no remarkable increase until the end of the World War. From the Armistice, the national debt began to increase rather steadily.

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the amount swelling to 1,800 millions in 1923. The earthquake of 1923 caused an enormous increase of 545 millions for the rehabilitation and restoration of the stricken area. The financial crisis of 1927 added a further sum of 700 millions. The Sino-Japanese hostilities which broke out in 1937 is fully responsible for the rapid 7 increase in the total outstanding. The total outstanding at the end of 1936 was 10,395 million Yen which had advanced to 21,520 millions in 1939 and to 25,622 millions at the end of September 1940.

"For repayment of the national debt a sum equivalent to 1.16 per cent of the total funded debt outstanding at the beginning of each financial year is yearly budgeted for the Sinking Fund. In practice, budget surplus do not automatically go to the debt redemption, but under an Act of 1927 no less than a quarter of each year's surplus is made applicable for such purposes."

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MR. LOGAN: If the Tribunal please, we are presenting these figures to show the effect which the sanctions had later on on the import and export trade of Japan, the tremendous --

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THE PRESIDENT: The graph is probably sufficient. I think the figures were given, also, for particular countries. I remember the Australian figure, seventy-one millions. It is just as helpful to us as this.

MR. LOGAN: I may have been mistaken, but I thought it was just percentages.

THE PRESIDENT: Yes, the Australian figure appears here, "71 million." That is unnecessary-duplication.

MR. LOGAN: They are percentages, your Honor, to exhibits, and they are only for the two years, '38 and '39. These are the figures from '36 to '39.

THE PRESIDENT: There is no desire manifested by any of my colleagues to have this additional information.

MR. LOGAN: May I say this, your honor: that, we are offering these figures to show the total export and import trade for these years primarily with respect to the five nations which I have named, and to show that, by the imposition of these sanctions in July 1941, the greater part of Japan's import-export trade was strangled.

THE PRESIDENT: For that purpose the graphs are just as effective as this document now tendered.

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The objection is upheld and the document rejected as cumulative.

MR. LOGAN: We offer in evidence defense document 1763 which is an excerpt from the Official Gazette, dated January 22, 1930, reporting the statement of Minister HAMAGUCHI before the Diet on January 21, 1930 on the Gold Embargo.

THE PRESIDENT: Brigadier Quilliam.

bunal, this is the first of thirty-three documents which contain speeches in the Diet by various members of the government with respect to measures submitted. We submit that this document is irrelevant and immaterial and would direct attention in the first place to its date, 1930. The first part, about four pages, deals with the reasons for the lifting of the Gold Embargo in 1930. The balance consists of various general observations regarding commerce and industry in Japan. It is submitted that none of these matters assist the determination of the issues and that the matters are too remote for the consideration of the Tribunal.

MR. LOGAN: When prosecution's witness Liebert presented his report he covered forty-five laws passed by the Japanese Diet and made comments on them favor-

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hibit is a little long, all the others we have with respect to the laws which we deem pertinent and that the Court should have information on are very short. These are all statements made by the ministers of state who introduced these bills in the Diet at the time they were introduced to set forth the purpose of the bills. They are statements which were made upon which the government acted. It sheds an entirely different light upon these bills than what is endeavored to be portrayed by the prosecution.

THE PRESIDENT: Did the prosecution tender these bills?

MR. LOGAN: No.

THE PRESIDENT: Liebert gave resumes of them

MR. LOGAN: The bills --

BRIGADIER QUILLIAM: They are not bills.

MR. LOGAN: I didn't say it was a bill. The bills are not in evidence yet. These are the statements made by the ministers of state who introduced the bills in the Diet at the time they were introduced.

This particular document shows how the controls and industries came into existence with regard

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to Japan's industrialization policy. And you will recall that the prosecution's contention is that Japan's
industrialization was built up for the purpose of establishing a totalitarian regime. Certainly, the
best evidence as to the purpose of the bill is the
statement made by the minister of the responsible
party who introduces it at the time it is introduced,
when there is no reason for him to state anything else
other than the truth.

some of the bills, of course, Liebert just mentioned and let it go at that, and others he made a great deal of comment about. Now, this is the best evidence of what the purpose of those bills was. In other words, the prosecution will try to convey the picture that Japan deliberately, with premeditation, set out during the years covered by the Indictment to build up a planned economy for military, war purposes in preparation for aggressive war. This shows that that is not so.

THE PRESIDENT: The minister's explanation is not conclusive. It would be if we must assume he told the truth. But, of course, we make no such assumption. However, you are entitled to prove the purpose of the bill if it is alleged by the prosecution that its purpose was war and you say its purpose

was not war.

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MR. LOGAN: That's right.

THE PRESIDENT: But why in this roundabout way? Couldn't you have a summary showing what was said about each bill by the minister introducing it?

MR. LCGAN: As I say, unfortunately, this first one is rather long, but the rest of them are rather short. I might also add that all these statements by these ministers go to the question of conspiracy, whether these accused conspired to build up this planned, regimented economy for waging aggressive war.

THE PRESIDENT: Well, this particular minister became Prime Minister, did he not? He was assassinated because he was opposed to war. He would hardly be within the ambit of any conspiracy.

BRIGADIER QUILLIAM: May it please the Tribunal, this particular document does not deal with a
law or ordinance before the Diet. It deals with the
lifting of the embargo which is not a matter put in
issue in any way in the prosecution's case. Liebert,
at paragraph 123 in exhibit 840, made merely passing
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THE PRESIDENT: Perhaps a bit of Japanese history may be helpful, but why trace it at such great length? Why don't you summarize it for us?

MR. LOGAN: I do not think a summary could be put any shorter than the documents we are introducing with respect to these laws, and this is the beginning of the industrialization that this particular document refers to.

THE PRESIDENT: Are the other documents very lengthy?

MR. LOGAN: No.

THE PRESIDENT: By a majority, the Court overrules the objection and admits the document.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Book entitled "Steno-graphic Record of the House of Representatives, 57th and 58th Session," in Japanese, will receive exhibit No. 2771 for identification; and the excerpt therefrom, bearing defense document No. 1763, will receive exhibit No. 2771A.

(Whereupon, the book above referred

to was marked defense exhibit No. 2771 for identification; and the excerpt therefrom, defense document No. 1763, was marked defense exhibit No. 2771A and received in evidence.)

MR. LOGAN: (Reading).

"The stenographic Record No. 3 of the proceedings at the 57th session of the House of Representatives, the Imperial Diet.

"January 21st, 1930.

"The minister of State (Mr. HAMAGUCHI Osachi.

"The government long ago declared, both at home and abroad, the lifting of the gold embargo as one of the most important policies, and since the formation of the Cabinet, preparations have been made steadily toward this end. As I have already stated, the government has put into practice various policies such as financial retrenchment, consolidation of public loans and economy on consumption, and, at the same time, had strived to gradually fill up the specie abroad.

has the result of our effort to gradually increase the balance abroad by taking advantage of the recent strong tone of the exchange market, the total sum of the specie abroad, which was only about 83,000,000 Yen at the end of June, last year, that is, just before the formation of the present Cabinet, already passed the three hundred million Yen mark in November 1929, last year, namely, at the time when the Finance Ministry ordinance regarding the lifting of the gold embargo was issued. Thus the position of our specie abroad has become very strong.

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"The minister of State (Mr. HAMAGUCHI Osachi.

"The government long ago declared, both at home and abroad, the lifting of the gold embargo as one of the most important policies, and since the formation of the Cabinet, preparations have been made steadily toward this end. As I have already stated, the government has put into practice various policies such as financial retrenchment, consolidation of public loans and economy on consumption, and, at the same time, had strived to gradually fill up the specie abroad. As the result of our effort to gradually increase the balance abroad by taking advantage of the recent strong tone of the exchange market, the total sum of the specie abroad, which was only about 83,000,000 Yen at the end of June, last year, that is, just before the formation of the present Cabinet, already passed the three hundred million Yen mark in November 1929, last year, namely, at the time when the Finance Ministry ordinance regard-

ing the lifting of the gold embargo was issued. Thus

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exchange rate at par. All internal and external preparations have been completed, and we have come to be firmly convinced that there is absolutely no fear of causing an economic crisis even if we carry out the lifting of the gold embargo. Accordingly, the government issued the Finance Ministry ordinance regarding the lifting of the gold embargo on November 21st, last year, which has been enforced since January 11th, Thus our country has returned to the gold this year. standard both in theory and in fact. Twelve years have elapsed since September 1917. It is a matter for hearty congratulation that the obstacles of the gold embargo have been lifted and our country has returned to normal condition in the international economy. This is the result of the understanding and cooperation on the part of the whole nation to which I wish to express my hearty gratitude.

"In putting the lifting of the gold embargo into practice, the government has made, with the cooperation of the people, full preparation for it, as I have stated above. So it was the firm belief of the government that nothing deplorable would happen as a result of the lifting of the embargo. As a matter of fact, after the announcement of the forthcoming lifting of the gold embargo in November, last

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"In order to rationalize industry and to investigate important matters concerning the promotion of industry with that in view, the government has decided to establish the Temporary Industry Investigation Commission and at the same time a special department in the government as its executive organ. What the government intends to ask at this moment for investigation as urgent problems are the control of enterprises, the increase of efficiency, the establishment of fundamental construction, the improvement of primitive industrial management, the promotion of home products, the improvement of industrial circulation of money, the rationalization of selling methods, etc. Under the present condition of our industrial world which is in confusion and disorder, and tends to fall into the evil practice of careless and abundant manufacture indulging in reckless competition, I think it is necessary to control enterprises by promoting their union or incorporation in order to avoid multiple investments, to lower production costs and to ensure the completeness and excellence of the quality of products. It goes without saying, however, that such evils as the unreasonable curtailment of operation or the wilful oppression of consumers by stipulating prices should be avoided as

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much as possible. As for the increase of efficiency, there are many things to investigate such as the scientific control and management of enterprises, the standardization of products, the simplification of the process of production, etc. In regard to the improvement of industrial circulation of money, the most pressing problem is to make the money market smooth for farmers, manufacturers and tradesmen who are below average. For this purpose, such plans as the accommodation of low interest funds, the improvement of credit associations, the increase of public pawnbrokers and others, indeed, should be investigated and put into practice, but I believe one effective method will be to make ordinary banks contribute to the circulation of money in that direction by suitable methods. The government will not neglect an earnest investigation in this respect. To state the case briefly, unless we occupy a commanding position in competing with the commodities of the various countries in the world's trading markets by lowering our production costs, the fundamental improvement of international loans will be impossible to realize. fore, to attain the purpose, the government attempts to cooperate with the people trying every means. In addition, the government has presented special estimates

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in the budget for 1930 to increase expenditure with regard to the promotion of home production to increase the manufacturer's bounty in important fundamental industries and at the same time to materialize the export compensation system. We believe that is the most opportune policy to materialize the compensation system of exports to open markets for our commodities and to promote our export trade as a policy for the improvement of international loans. I shall talk about the system in detail some other day. On the basis of the report of the International Loan Investigation Commission, the government is also planning the establishment of facilities concerning the circulation of money for shipping which has been demanded for many years, in order to promote the development of sea transportation which has brought in the principal income excepting that from our trade.

"Gentlemen! In view of the present social and economic situation, I believe that it is extremely obvious that the solution of the unemployment problem has a tendency to occupy the most important objects (for study) among social political institutions. Properly speaking, the fundamental solution of this problem must solely depend on the stability of

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extended considerably the period of execution, the regions, the kinds of work, maximum number of unemployed who shall be relieved, etc. and is endeavoring to raise the fruits of the relief. Much more, as to the prevention and the relief of unemployment, the government has received proper and useful reports from the Social Policy Investigation Commission, and so we are ready to take proper measures as far as the circumstances permit taking their purport into consideration. And also, it is our desire to put the relief law into practice as soon as our financial circumstances permit."

We now offer in evidence defense document 1753 which is an excerpt from the Official Gazette of April 28, 1930, setting forth the statement of Minister TAWARA on the industrial policies of the government before the House of Representatives on April 27, 1930.

THE PRESIDENT: Brigadier Quilliam.

BRIGADIER QUILLIAM: May it please the Tribunal, all we wish to say about this document is that it is another dissertation in the year 1930 about import and export conditions and the possibilities of trade and intentions with regard to trade in the future. It is not related to any bill and it is suggested that it is no more helpful than the last document was to the

Tribunal in determining the issues here.

THE PRESIDENT: The last document was admitted, of course. The conspiracy is alleged to go back to 1928.

MR. LOGAN: Yes, to '28.

What I said with respect to the last document applies with equal force to this one.

THE PRESIDENT: We are far from clear as to the value of this testimony but we give you the benefit of any doubt, Mr. Logan.

Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Defense document 1753 will receive exhibit No. 2771-B.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked defense exhibit No. 2771-B and received in evidence.)

MR. LOGAN: Reading defense exhibit 2771-B, record of the proceedings of the House of Representatives of the 58th Imperial Diet Session, April 27, 1930.

"Minister of State TAWARA: Mr. HORIKIRI interpellated concerning the industrial policies. Various remedies are conceivable against the present depression and unemployment. However, industrial development is the only basic policy to cope with the difficulties. For the development of our industries

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a great deal of effort has been exerted since the organization of the present Cabinet. Briefly the basic policy for developing industries amounts to restricting imports and promoting exports. Little attention has been paid in the past to the question of how to prevent imports. We can prevent imports by producing their substitutes in Japan. According to statistical tables, the present stage of our industrial development permits imports to the value of 500 to 600 million yen to be replaced by home manufactured substitutes. To prevent the importation of 500-600 million yen worth of goods by manufacturing their substitutes constitutes an important matter. With this object in view we are encouraging the domestic production of these goods. In the first place, governmental offices have made special efforts in substituting domestic articles for foreign goods which they were using in connection with their operations. To cite the instance of the Railway Ministry, the Ministry after investigation adopted the policy of consuming home-made articles instead of foreign and saved 10 22 million yen. Other governmental offices are making 23 similar efforts in replacing as much as possible foreign 24 goods which they have been consuming with domestic goods. It is our desire not only to have used domestic

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substitutes for imported goods, but also governmental offices propagate the thought and encourage the practice of patronizing home industries among the general public. Thus the additional appropriations introduced now to the Diet include expenditures for such items. If we should fortunately be able to produce additional articles as substitutes to one-half the value of such imports, if not the entire 600 million yen, the increase of 300 million yen worth of additional production would have a great effect upon our industrial development. I believe that, should the articles worth 300 million yen be additionally produced in this country, and onehalf of their value or 150 million yen should be converted into wages, it would strike at the root of the unemployment problem of today. Apart from the prevention of the imports, as I have just mentioned

"Minister of State TAWARA, (continuing):

"With regard to encouraging exports, the Government have included in the additional appropriations expenditures for the execution of such policy. The measure proposed is the so-called export compensation system. We contemplate an early introduction to the Diet of a bill covering this export compensation system. Explanations as to its contents shall be made then. Next

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"Minister of State TAWARA, (continuing):

"With respect to the exportation of these goods, the Government proposes to despatch manufacturers concerned to all promising parts of the world for having them conduct investigations, with a view toward developing new markets and encouraging exportation of various commodities. For this purpose we are requesting the Diet's approval of expenditures covering subsidies to be given. We intend to strive hard for checking import on the one hand, and for encouraging export on the other hand. For attaining these objectives, we can find no alternative than the rationalization of industries, that is, to sell articles of high quality at low prices. Needless to say, the rationalization of industries means control over the enterprises of one and the same kind, improvement of technique and management, and simplification of production. The weakest point of our manufacturing industries of today may be that wasteful competition is conducted among different enterprises thereby forcing down the market price of their respective products. Thus our exportation of such goods have resulted in a meaningless competition of price in foreign markets, degradation of their qualities and loss of credit and markets abroad. This is the evil common to our productive industries at

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It is urgent for the industrial development to effect control over these enterprises and to establish coordination among them. The fundamental policy for the development of our industries lies in the expansion of domestic production and consumption and the increase of volume of export of high quality articles abroad, outwards. Mr. HORIKIRI expressed his opinion that there is a contradiction between the industrial rationalization policy and the Cabinet's retrenchment policy. We believe the policy of rationalizing industries is by no means contradictory to that of retrenchment. The policy for reducing consumption should of course be pursued. What I mean by saying that we should increase consumption is that the people are devoted to imported goods and are apt to use them even for daily needs; that we should from now on encourage them to patronize home industries and to consume home-made substitutes for them. We believe that the industrial rationalization policy is by no mean contradictory to the retrenchment policy which an important policy of Government."

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I shall skip the next document, 1748. It adds a little more to the gold embargo but is not exactly necessary.

We next offer in evidence defense document 1765, an excerpt from the Official Gazette of May 9,

1930. This document sets forth the speech of Mr.
MAEDA on the introduction of the Shipping Guild Law
Bill before the House of Representatives May 8, 1930.

THE PRESIDENT: Brigadier Quilliam.

BRIGADIER QUILLIAM: May it please the Tribunal, we object to this document which is more about shipping. There has been defense evidence on this subject of shipping and in addition a long document was admitted this morning and read. In our submission this particular document contributes nothing further and should be rejected as unnecessary.

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Logan.

MR. LOGAN: What I said with respect to the last two documents applies to this one; in addition, that this particular document explains the control of the shipping industry by the government. It was not covered by the documents this morning.

THE PRESIDENT: It is not very enlightening.
What particular purpose does it serve?

'MR. LOGAN: Exactly the same purpose as the previous documents, your Honor, to show that there was no conspiracy with regard to the control of the shipping industry by these accused or by anyone else. It certainly shows that the control of the shipping industry was not for the purpose of aggressive war as claimed by

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the prosecution. 1 THE PRESIDENT: Did Liebert deal with shipping in 1930? 3 BRIGADIER QUILLIAM: No, if it please your Honor, and it is not the claim of the prosecution that the control of shipping was for the purposes of war. MR. LOGAN: Does the prosecution contend that 7 the industrialization of Japan was not for the purposes of war? Shipping is part of the industrialization. THE PRESIDENT: The whole lot is contained in 10 the last paragraph, isn't it? MR. LOGAN: Just about, your Honor. 12 read that. THE PRESIDENT: All right, I am certainly not 14 clear about this. It is admitted on the usual terms; 16 objection is overruled. 17 CLERK OF THE COURT: Defense document 1765 will receive exhibit No. 2771-C. 19 (Whereupon, the document above referred 20 to was marked defense exhibit No. 2771-C and received in evidence.) 22 23 24 25

MR. LOGAN: Defense exhibit 2771-C,
"Record of proceedings in the House of Representatives in the 58th Session of the Imperial
Diet. May 5th, 1930.

"Mr. MAEDA" -- the last paragraph:

"In short, this bill aims at giving the guild compulsory power, to get all shipping agencies to join it. However, there may be some who are planning to utilize a low-interest loan, or prevent the lowering of freightage, through the enactment of this law, but such is not the reason for the introduction of this bill; it is to realize common interest of the shipping agencies; that is, to increase their welfare by the retionalization of the shipping circles, and not to envisage such special interest as alleged by the foregoing. Such being the case, I earnestly hope that this bill will receive your approval and be enacted as soon as possible."

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We now offer in evidence defense document 1737 which is an excerpt from the Official Gazette of March 1, 1931 reporting the statement of Minister TAWARA upon the introduction of the major industries control bill in the House of Representatives on the 28th day of February 1931.

THE PRESIDENT: Brigadier Quilliam.

BRIGADIER QUILLIAM: May it please the Tribunal, this is a typical instance of a discussion of a bill which has been dealt with by Mr. Liebert in his evidence. He dealt with it in exhibit 840 at paragraph 94. As we regard the matter, this contributes nothing further nor is it in contradiction to anything that Mr. Liebert has said, and that is our reason for objecting.

MR. LOGAN: I think the Tribunal should be more interested in accepting a statement of State Minister TAWARA instead of an interpretation placed on it by Mr. Liebert.

THE PRESIDENT: Here again you have got the whole of it in the last couple of sentences. The purpose of this bill may have been the stabilization of industries but the motive may have been war. It is such a neutral type of thing. I think the whole purpose is in the second last sentence, is it

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MR. LOGAN: I will read the last part of it, then.

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CLERK OF THE COURT: Defense document 1737,
being a book entitled "Stenographic Records of the
House of Representatives for the 59th Session", in
Japanese, will receive exhibit No. 2772 for identification only, and the excerpt therefrom, bearing
the same document number, will receive exhibit
No. 2772-A.

(Whereupon, defense document No. 1737 was marked defense exhibit No. 2772 for identification; the excerpt therefrom was marked defense exhibit No. 2772-A and received in evidence.)

MR. LOGAN: I shall read defense document 1737, just admitted in evidence, "Stenographic Minutes of the House of Representatives at the 59th Imperial Diet, 28th February 1931. State Minister TAWARA" -- the last few sentences:

of the conditions, stated above, to place our major industries, at least, under strict order and control in order to secure stabilization. For such reasons, we have come to lay this bill before you, whose

speedy approval we hope will be granted after mature consideration."

We now offer in evidence defense document 1736 which is an excerpt from the Official Gazette of June 5, 1932, reporting the speech of Minister of Strie, Mr. TAKAHASHI, explaining the Capital Flight Prevention Bill at the time it was introduced in the Diet.

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THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Defense document 1736

being a book entitled "The Stenographic Records of
the House of Representatives for the 60th, 61st,
62nd and 63rd Sessions," in Japanese, will receive
exhibit No. 2773 for identification only, and the
excerpt therefrom, bearing the same document number,
will receive exhibit No. 2773-A.

(Whereupon, defense document No. 1736 was marked defense exhibit No. 2773 for identification; the excerpt therefrom was marked defense exhibit No. 2773-A and received in evidence.)

MR. LOGAN: I shall now read exhibit 2773-A being defense document 1736, "Stenographic Records of the Proceedings of the House of Representatives, 62nd Imperial Diet, Saturday, 4th June, 1932.

"State Minister TAKAHASHI:

"I shall now give some explanation of the Capital Flight Prevention Bill listed No. 10 on the order of the day. Since the year before last, we have seen the overseas efflux of a good amount of our domestic capital, as a result of the general anticipation of fall in the value of yen currency and of the difference in the rate of interest between domestic and foreign securities. This trend became particularly notable subsequent to Great Britain's abolition of the gold standard system in September last year. Recently our foreign loan bonds have shown a decline in market price, causing the flight of capital, which is being resorted to even today. In the future, too, if the issue of currency increases in amount, we fear there will be a growing number of people who attempt to promote the flight of capital overseas. We need not mention that in time of peace the international movement of capital should always be allowed unrestrictedly. However, today world economy is confronted by an extraordinary situation, and to prevent the overseas efflux of our capital is a measure necessary for securing national welfare. Besides, such a step has already been taken by quite a number of countries.

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"At present, however, there exists no legal grounds upon which to prevent the flight of capital. Hence we deem it urgent to introduce a bill relating to such measures."

Defense document 1721 is offered in evidence.

This is an excerpt from the Official Gazette of
February 17, 1933, recording the statements of
Minister TAKAHASHI upon the introduction of the
Foreign Exchange Control Bill in the Diet on
February 16, 1933.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

and 1722, being a book entitled "The Stenographic Records of the House of Representatives, 64th Session," in Japanese, will receive exhibit No. 2774 for identification only, and the excerpt therefrom, being defense document 1721, will receive exhibit No. 2774-A.

(Whereupon, defense document No. 1722 was marked defense exhibit No. 2774 for identification; the excerpt therefrom was marked defense exhibit No. 2774-A and received in evidence.)

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MR. LOGAN: I shall now read exhibit 2774-A, being the stenographic record of the proceedings of the House of Representatives on February 16, 1933.

"State Minister TAKAHASHI:

"Concerning the Foreign Exchange Control Bill which has come up for discussion now, I would like to explain the reasons for its presentation. Japan's foreign exchange rate gradually declined since the enforcement of the second gold embargo towards the end of the year before last, and finally dropped, in November last year, as low as \$20 against the United States. In view of Japan's present international financial balance, such a decline as this of our foreign exchange rate cannot be called normal at all. This is merely a kind of full market founded chiefly on the general uneasiness coming both out of the present unstable international relations and the feared inflation of currency. Suppose no counter measures had been taken and each individual had been allowed to indulge in his own way of declination and fluctuation of our exchange rate would have been much greater than what it is now on account of the possible flight of our capital into foreign countries and the domestic

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and foreign speculations on the 'Yen'. Fortunately, the Capital Flight Prevention Law, which has been enforced since July last year by the approval of the 62nd Session of the Diet, has proved quite effective. I believe it has been quite fortunate for Japan that the evil influences, which could be caused by the outflow of capital from our country, could have been checked at such a stage as we have seen them today. However, the above Capital Flight Prevention Law chiefly aims at preventing capital from escaping into foreign countries, especially the outflow of our capital in the form of purchases of foreign currencies and foreign currency securities outside of Japan, and keeps itself as much out of the way as possible of the normal course of our foreign trade. Therefore, there are not a few points in this Law that are inconvenient from the viewpoint of checking speculative dealings in exchange business and effectively preventing capital from escaping out of our country. Moreover, when we look at the present international financial conditions, we find that most countries are practising oxchange control or trade control, and are taking various measures in order to raise customs duties, and in this way each

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country is jealously protecting her own economy and domestic industries. Thus, the future development of the world situation is beyond our prediction. We must expect that there will arise the necessity in the near future also for our country to take some definite measures to meet the changing economic conditions of the world. For the reasons abovementioned, the Government has presented this bill to the Diet, in order to obtain a right to issue ordinances for the purpose of exercising adequate control over all phases of foreign exchange according to the development of the national as well as international situations. With regard to gold export, the existing Finance Ministry Ordinance and other orders are not satisfactory in their effective control, and therefore, we have incorporated new regulations in this bill so that a way may be opened for the Government to deal severely with offenders."

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MR. LOGAN: We now offer in evidence defense document 1722, an excerpt from the Official Gazette of March 1, 1933. This document sets forth the speech of State Minister NAKAJIMA on the introduction of the Bill to Establish Japan Iron Manufacturing Company before the House of Representatives February 28, 1933.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Defense document 1722

will receive exhibit No. 2774B.

(Thereupon, the document above referred to was marked defense exhibit No. 2774B and received in evidence.)

MR. LOGAN: I now read exhibit 2774B, being the stenographic record of the proceedings of the House of Representatives, February 28, 1933.

"State Minister (Mr. NAKAJIMA, Kumakichi):

"I would like to explain the reason for introducing the Bill to Establish Japan Iron Manufacturing
Company which is now placed on the agenda. The iron
manufacturing industry in our country made a rapid
progress, with the European War as a turning point,
under the government's protective and encouraging
policy on one hand and through the painstaking and
persevering management of the industrialists concerned
on the other, and it has gradually reached the stage of

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self-sufficiency. However, an observation of the nature of the management of this industry shows that its foundation can hardly be called to be sufficiently firm. Except the prosperous days during the European War, it went through the lean years on the whole until recently when it has shown a rather favorable tendency due to the exchange rate and the increased supply of steel, although the future of this industry does not warrant optimism. If the production cost should rise following the rise of prices, this industry will again be affected by imported goods; further, should the matter be left as it is, it would become extremely difficult to supply sufficient steel at a low price to meet an ever-increasing demand in the future. The reason why the foundation of the iron manufacturing industry in our country is not so firm as stated above can be attributed to the fact that most of our private iron manufacturing undertakings were founded or expanded during the European War, and that improvements of their equipments and adjustment of their capital were generally unsatisfactory; furthermore, the depression which has been continuing since the war has been preventing them from working out their own industrial rationalization. Again, the iron works being government managed, their

operations were subjected to various restraints, which,

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it must be admitted, brought about several facts that interfered with the development of this industry. This proved to be a great obstruction in the way of accomplishing a unified development of the iron manufacturing industry, as a whole, in our country. In other words such disadvantages as the double investment of capital and the unbalanced installations of equipments were caused on one hand, and at the same time there was always a menace, on the other hand, from imported goods which were ready to take advantage of high cost of production resulting from independently operated smallscale enterprises. In view of such present condition of the iron manufacturing industry in our country, various measures for its promotion have been advocated in the past. But a practical measure for the firm establishment of the iron manufacturing industry, considering the fact that a systematic operation on a large scale is particularly advantageous in view of the very nature of this industry, is to achieve a joint company based upon the government-managed as well as important private owned iron manufacturing industries. The most appropriate method in this connection is believed, with the assistance of special funds from the Government, to plan a thorough rationalization of this industry, to promote a lower cost of production, to

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improve and expand installations and thus to place the iron manufacturing industry in our country on a stable basis. Particularly in the light of the fact that steel is a basic material for various important industries, it is also exceedingly important from the standpoint of developing national industry and economy to secure an ample supply of it at a cheap price. I believe that the resolution to plan a complete readjustment and rationalization of the iron manufacturing industry for the purpose of lowering production cost, adopted by both Houses in the 62nd Session, in June last year, no doubt was prompted by the same idea; and I regard the establishment of the Japan Iron Manufacturing Co., Ltd., an outcome of the above resolution, as the most appropriate measure. With such an object as mentioned above in view, the Japan Iron Manufacturing Co., Ltd., based on the iron manufacturing industry managed by the government and civilians has been established. And the present bill is introduced for the purpose of achieving the firm establishment of this industry. I earnestly request that you will be good enough to speedily approve of it after full deliberation."

I now call as a witness ADACHI, Yasuo.

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A D A C H I, called as a witness on behalf YASUO of the defense, being first duly sworn, testified through Japanese interpreters as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. LOGAN:

Will you let us have your name and address, Mr. ADACHI?

My name is ADACHI Yasuo; my address, 7458 A Tsujido, Fujisawa, Kanagawa Prefecture.

Will you examine defense document 1688 being handed to you by the Clerk of the Court?

Is that your affidavit?

A Yes, that is mine.

Are the statements contained in that affidavit accurate and true?

Yes.

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MR. LOGAN: I offer in evidence defense

document 1688 and exhibits attached thereto.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Defense document 1688

will receive exhibit No. 2775.

(Whereupon, the document above

referred to was marked defense exhibit

No. 2775 and received in evidence.)

MR. LOGAN: I shall now read exhibit 2775,
being defense document 1688.

"Sworn Deposition of ADACHI, Yasuo."

THE PRESIDENT: Omit the formal parts,

Mr. Logan, please.

MR. LOGAN: All right.

"I graduated from the metallurgy section in
the Engineering Department of the Imperial University
in 1919; in the same year, I was given the position
of assistant engineer in the Mining Bureau of the
Ministry of Agriculture and Commerce; in 1921 I was
made an engineer of the Mining Bureau as well as of
the Ministry of Agriculture and Commerce; in 1926
I assumed the additional post of engineer of the
Investigation Institute of Fuel; in 1929 the additional
post of the Secretariat Statistics Section of the
Commerce and Industry Department. In 1937 I was made

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the manager of the Iron Industry Committee. I became an engineer of the Temporary Commodities Readjustment Bureau as well as engineer for the Bureau of Commerce and Industry. In 1939 I was made secretary of the Production Expansion Committee, and in the same year, I took the position of expert member of the Shipbuilding Committee; thus until the time of my resignation from the position of the chief of the Steel Section of the Metal Bureau of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry in 1943, I served in planning out administrative work concerning iron and steel of the Japanese Government. After resigning from public office I held the position of director of the Nittetsu Mining Joint Stock Company from 1943 to 1946. During those years I was head of the investigation department of that company, and later head of the investigation department and of the mining department. In 1946 I became director of the Kanto Dolomite Industrial Joint Stock Company and continued in the position until 1947 when the company was dissolved. At the present time I am the director of an engineering and construction company.

"I have factual knowledge of the iron-steel administration of the Japanese Government and the condition of production and consumption of iron and

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 steel. All the tables attached to and made part of this affidavit were prepared by me from statistics and sources enumerated herein.

"(2) After the first European War, the price of iron and steel dropped abruptly. The fall in the price of steel material during the period from 1918 to 1934 is shown in Table I."

I might state to the Tribunal that the tables mentioned here are attached to the affidavit and we will refer to them either now or later.

"As is shown in the 'Reference Materials
Concerning Iron Manufacture' compiled by the Metal
Bureau of the Department of Commerce and Industry in
August, 1934, the average price of bars and plates in
each year is shown in the table in index numbers with
the standard of 100 for 1918. As the table shows,
the price of bars was 100 in 1918, depreciated to
33 in 1921 and continued to depreciate year after year
until in 1931 it had become 15. Its depreciation thus
was 85 per cent. The price of plates was 17 in 1921
and 8 in 1931. Thus the depreciation was 92%. In
addition to this, in those years Japan was menaced by
the import of iron and steel from foreign countries.
For this reason the immature iron and steel work of
Japan suffered a staggering blow. For instance, among

about 200 iron and steel manufacturers operating during the first European War, about 150 went into bankruptcy. The other 50 or so manufacturers were for a long time suffering extraordinary hardship at no commercial profit. Accordingly the Ministry of Commerce and Industry in about the year 1931 considered how to overcome the crisis and at the same time investigated means of bettering iron and steel manufacture as a step toward remedying these conditions in Japan.

"The main points of consideration in the days when Japanese iron manufacturers were in this chaotic situation are as follows:

"(a) According to the iron and steel statistics compiled by the Yahata Iron Factory in December, 1931, the annual consumption of steel material by one American, Belgian, Frenchman, German, Englishman and Japanese is as set forth in Table II," also attached to the affidavit. "To make the table much plainer, index numbers are shown as follows:

"Japan, 1. America, 7.24. Belgium, 3.45. France, 3.12. Germany, 2.98. Britain, 2.45.

"Accordingly, it was predicted that Japan's consumption of iron and steel would increase to a certain extent in accordance with the development of

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her civilian economy. As for practical methods from the standpoint of economical consideration, it was prearranged that for the most part, raw material would be supplied from foreign countries and that iron materials would be manufactured in Japan to meet

"(b) The industrial rationalizing movement and the increased production movement which took place in all nations after the first European war were examples of world-wide tendency. Japan thought then that she would be left far behind financially unless she followed this tendency. For instance, according to the statistics made by the Mining Bureau, the status of steely production in America, England, the Soviet Union, Australia, Germany, and Japan was as shown in Table III expressed in real numbers, in index numbers, and in a graph of index numbers. This index-number graph starts in 1932 with 100 and continues until 1940.

"During the above term, each nation listed shows a generally rising line. In 1940 the index for America rose to 4.26, England rose to 2.54, Soviet Union rose to 3.40, Australia rose to 5.44 (1939), Germany rose to 4.65 and Japan rose to 2.84. Authorities of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry thought

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it appropriate to take measures as follows as the method of attaining the purpose described in the above (a) and (b).

"(a) Revision of Tariff. As shown on
Table 4, 1920-1925, there was an import tariff of
15% on the most useful steel material. This was
increased to 20% on bars and plates in 1926 and in
1932 it was further raised to 25% ad valorem but conditions did not improve. To meet war economics after
the China Incident in 1937, the import duty was lifted.

"(b) Establishment of the planning system.

"This problem had been considered by experts in iron and steel for a very long time. The government finally decided to establish an investigation society for the promotion of iron manufacture, and this society held several conferences after 1915. All the reports indicated the need for concerted effort among iron manufacturers. A plan finally materialized in 1933 as follows."

THE PRESIDENT: Well, this is a convenient break. We will adjourn for fifteen minutes.

(Whereupon, at 1445, a recess was taken until 1500, after which the proceedings were resumed as follows:)

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"The purpose of this planning system was to establish a company able to compete with foreign countries from the standpoint of economic consideration. For instance it was necessary to make the economic foundation of planned accounts of the new company firm and stable. For the purpose, six companies had to be dissolved in order to form a new company. The property valuation of those companies was calculated in a reasonable manner, and from their estimated values one third was discounted.

"(3) The above enterprise was materialized solely for the purpose of dealing with an urgent problem which Japan faced at that time and had not any other special purpose. The next step was to establish a scheme for expansion to prepare for an increase of demand in the future. Essential points of consideration in the plan were as follows:

"(a) Japan was extremely poor in natural resources both in quantity and in quality. Accordingly real sulf-sufficiency was almost impossible. About in 1934, since there were few able persons in the military and naval forces who had the knowledge of this kind of enterprise -- the Ministry of Commerce and Industry planned it out merely from the standpoint of economy.

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"At that time, as a method of measuring the demand in the future, the demand for steel-material in each year from 1896 to 1930 (including export and internal consumption) was shown in a diagram and from it the amount of demand in the future was calculated mathematically as a standard. In the above figure was included the amount of military and naval demand, which was estimated approximately less than 10 percentage of the whole. However, judging from the condition of natural resources and geographical environment in Japan, the Commerce and Industry Ministry was of the opinion that while there was room for the increase of steel production, Japan had no choice but to depend upon the import of raw materials, especially minerals. As the collateral security for these imported minerals, Japan was forced to increase the amount of exported steel and machinery. Consequently, the Commerce and Industry Ministry, taking these conditions into consideration, estimated that the future demand and supply would be at such a level as shown by the aforementioned calculated standard. Accordingly, the presupposed demand of the army was calculated at the same rate as that of the period from 1896 to 1930, and no more. There was no demand from military or naval forces for a larger amount.

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in 1938. The actual results were as presupposed. They are given as follows: "(a) The production of pig-iron and steel

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material definitely increased. (Table V & VI.) The production of steel-material went up to the maximum in 1938, the year after the outbreak of the Chinese incident. However, owing to the unexpected outbreak of the Pacific War, production decreased despite the demand during war time. The underproduction was caused by the decrease in the supply of scrap. The consumption of scrap-steel during the period from 1932 to 1942 is as follows according to page 308 of the above stated statistics. (Mining

On page 9, we have the chart showing the consumption in unit 1000 tons and, incidentally, throughout this affidavit when tons are mentioned, they are metric tons.

1934 1936 "1932 1933 1935 3,121 2,538 3,336 4,393 1,301 1,905 1942 "1938 1939 1940 1941 4,660 4,405 3,299 3,829 4,264

"The source of supply for this consumption was import, and the largest place of supply was America. The amount of import was as follows: (3 pages from No. 2420 of the above statistics)"

I shall read the totals only for this here.

This is also in metric tons. This is per 1000 metric tons.

"Year	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937
"Total	559	1012	1412	1692	1692	2419
"Year	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942	
"Total	1357	2555	1390	203	38"	

Those figure refer to America, Australia, India, and others.

"The production of pig-iron increased year after year from 1932 to 1942. Accordingly the consumption of iron-ore increased naturally. However, the supply of ore had to come from other countries. (Table VII) Since Japan is situated geographically in a most convenient place for importing iron-ore from the East and the South, she imported it from those regions. The method was purchasing the ores or procuring mining rights through economic negotiations.

- "(b) Except in 1937, the import of steel material decreased exactly as presupposed by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry. (See Table VIII.)
- "(c) The export of steel-material increased as presupposed by the Department of Commerce and Industry. In 1937 export decreased because of the

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Chinese incident, but until the outbreak of the Pacific War, steel-material was exported to a certain extent. (Table IX)

"(d) Export of machines. The export of machines, that is, export of transformed steel material, was extremely large. (Table X)

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Consumption of iron was greatly revolutionalized.

There were no complete statistics of consumption in Japan. Consequently the Ministry of Commerce and Industry estimated the amount of every year's consumption by the following formula:

"Consumption = production + import - export.

variation in the amount in storehouses at the end of the year. Its result is given in table XI its tendency describes plainly the fact which was stated in (3), namely, that complete self-sufficiency is virtually impossible. Moreover, the production of steel-material decreased side by side with the development of the Chinese incident. The degree of decrease was affected greatly by the prohibition of export of scrap-iron by America in 1940. Monthly import of scrap-iron is shown as follows:

"(Unit - 1000 Tons)

"Import Statistics (The finance department)"
1940, monthly amounts are shown running from
156 in January decreasing generally, except in October
that year, to 89 in December. In 1941, the monthly
reports show a decrease from 50 in January to 3 in
December of that year.

"As opposed to this, the production of

pig-iron went on increasing. This was caused by the need for taking a counter-measure to the decrease in import of scrap-iron. As the same time, however, it was inevitable that the amount of iron-ore in the storehouse must decrease rapidly. For instance, the amount in store at the YAWATA Foundry, which held 90% of the entire amount of stored ore in Japan, was as follows:

"(Unit 1000 Tons)

"(Iron-ore cooperative council)

"March 1940 March 1941 Sept 1941 March 1942 Sept 1942 3,324 2,900 2,049 1,177 882

"Accordingly, combination rate of pig-iron and scrap-iron at the iron manufactory had to be changed to prevailing conditions. Combination rates of pig-iron and scrap-iron in steel-ingot are as follows every year from 1935 to 1941.

"From data of the iron-ore cooperative council

"(Unit 1000 Metric Tons)

21		Consumption of pig-iron	Consumption of scrap-iron	Combination pig-iron	iron
22	1025	2075	2981	41	59
23	1936	2358 2336	3213 4085	36	58
24	1937 1938	2276	4142	35	65

"Steel manufacturing met with extreme difficulty in operation. Production inevitably decreased gradually. Moreover, hand in hand with the progress of the Chinese incident, the demand of the army gradually increased. Accordingly the demands of the people were compelled to decrease extremely. For instance the demand of the people in 1945 was 2,150,000 tons. This amount is almost the same as the demand in about 1925. The comparative consumption of the fighting forces and the people cannot be set 10 forth as no figures are available as there are no 11 statistics of the Department of Commerce and Industry we will use 'The plan for Mobilizing Materials' from 1935 - 1944. These results are shown in Table XII. As I stated before, the military demand had been ten percent or so of the total consumption from old days 16 to 1936. Since 1937, in order to respond to the 17 urgent need of completing the China Incident many 18 war measures were taken to meet the increasing Mili-19 tary demand. Still more, together with the expansion of the fronts, there was a reason that the exports in 21 the past should be directed to the occupied territories (Yen bloc) to meet an urgent demand. I do not know the proportion of military and civilian exports used in these yen bloc areas. Internal 25

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supplies in Japan were limited. As stated above, 1 the supply for the people in 1941 was reduced to the degree of about twenty years ago. But as the Table 3 XI shows, because of the decrease of production, it was necessary to give only minimum supply to the people, and in spite of the war, measures were taken to relieve the assignment-rate to a certain extent. However, in such a situation, it was extremely difficult for the prosecution of the war and the operation of the civil economy to go on side by side smoothly. 10

"On this 28th day of May, 1947.

"At Tokyo.

"DEPONENT /S/ ADACHI"

I shall not read these charts, if it please the Tribunal, but I would like to have them reproduced in the record for " future reference by the Tribunal.

You may examine.

THE PRESIDENT: Brigadier Quilliam.

BRIGADIER QUILLIAM: May it please the Tri-

bunal, we do not wish to cross-examine.

MR. LOGAN: May the witness be released on the usual terms?

THE PRESIDENT: He is released accordingly. (Whereupon, the witness was excused.)

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MR. LOGAN: We next offer in evidence defense document 1839, an excerpt from the official Gazette of January 24, 1934. This document sets forth the speech of Mr. TAKAHASHI, State Minister, concerning the general trend of the world economy, before the House of Representatives on January 23, 1934.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Defense document 1839

will receive exhibit No. 2776.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked defense exhibit No. 2776 and received in evidence.)

MR. LOGAN: I now read from exhibit 2776, being a Stenographic Record of the Proceedings of the House of Representatives of the 65th Session of the Imperial Diet, the statement of Mr. TAKAHASHI.

"Next glancing over the general trend of the world economy, we see that the International Economic Conference which was held in London in June last year adjourned in July for a while, without attantant expected results on account of discord among the leading powers, and it was decided to reconvene the convention at some suitable future date. Originally the conference made it its mission to overcome the

present world depression by the mutual cooperation of powers, to bring about the perfect working and development of international economy through the stabilization of currency and planning the reopening of international transfer of capital on the one hand, and through eliminating various commercial impediments and installing control of production on the other. However, because of the aforesaid adjournment, the overcoming of the depression by means of international cooperation became impossible. Accordingly, since the adjournment of the conference, all powers have strengthened their self-protection policies more and more, and besides planning thoroughly to carry out their self-sufficiency principles of national economy at home had really elevated trade barriers against the foreign countries. Consequently, the number of countries who have made impartiality their motto in international trade as heretofore are now very small, and the tendency of the powers to enter into a special agreement between two nations or several countries with whom they are closel interested is conspicuous. Since the panic in March, the United States with whom we have close economic relations had devoted itself to the restoration of trade and the raising of prices, and has been taking various measures relating thereto.

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However, in international harmony and coalition the same country has not come to terms as yet with such powers as Great Britain, France and others pertaining to policies concerning currency, foreign exchange, etc. She had deemed the stabilization of economic life of her own people and the re-6 establishment of domestic economy the most urgent of questions, and from this point of view, taking various measures. So the present economic condition of the 9 world is still in chaos, and not only is there as yet

We now offer in evidence defense document 1750, which is an excerpt from the Official Gazette of March 4, 1934, recording the speech of Mr. MATSUMOTO, Minister of State in the House of Representatives in 1934. This excerpt explains the purpose of the Petroleum Control Bill at the time it was introduced in the Diet, and which was referred to by Mr. Liebert in his testimony.

any prospect of overcoming depression, but it is not

easy to tell how the situation may develop in the

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. CLERK OF THE COURT: The book entitled "Stenographic Records of the House of Representatives, 65th Session," in Japanese, will receive exhibit

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No. 2777 for identification only. The excerpt therefrom, being defense document No. 1750, will receive exhibit No. 2777-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked defense exhibit No. 2777 for identification; the excerpt therefrom being marked defense exhibit No. 2777-A and received in evidence.)

MR. LOGAN: I now read from exhibit 2777-A, being an excerpt from the Official Gazette, the Stenographic Record of the Proceedings of the House of Representatives, 65th Imperial Diet.

"March 3, 1934" -- This is a typographical error in the document. It says "'35," it should be "'34."

"I am going to mention the reasons for which the Petroleum Control bill has been introduced. With regard to the security in the supply of petroleum, one of the important material from the view point of industry as well as national defense, the Government, which has so far established various requisite facilities, has now prepared a budget of more than 1,800,000 yen for next year. And is by all means going to construct facilities necessary for liquid fuel supply. My opinion as to the petroleum policy of

Japan is that, in view of the situation of the domestic petroleum resources, more and more effort should, of course, be concentrated upon the security and development of both domestic and foreign petroleum resources and also on the promotion of the substitute fuel industry. While, on the other hand, considering the present situation of the oil refining industry in this country and the national tendency toward self-sufficiency in petroleum products, I cannot but deem it of urgent necessity for Japan to take a course towards the firm establishment of the oil refining industry and in securing her petroleum supply along with these facilities.

"The oil refining industry in Japan has, of late, made steady progress year by year. However, Japan as yet remains in the poor status of having to rely upon foreign countries for more than half of her demand at home on benzine and crude petroleum which form the main part of her petroleum consumption. So that, in order to establish the oil refining industry in Japan and to attain self-sufficiency in various petroleum products, the necessary steps for us to take are I believe to regulate imports into this country properly on the one hand and to establish facilities to assure control over the domestic oil

refining industry on the other. In short, we look forward to systematic development of the petroleum industry of this country, by controlling both the import and oil refining industry under the Government authorization."

We offer in evidence defense document 1752, which is an excerpt from the Official Gazette of the stenographic report of the proceedings of the House of Representatives of the statement by Minister TAKAHASHI on the purposes of the adjustment of trade and protection of commerce bill which was introduced on March 10, 1934.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. CLERK OF THE COURT: Defense document 1752 will receive exhibit No. 2777-B.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked defense exhibit No. 2777-B and received in evidence.)

MR. LOGAN: I now read the exhibit 2777-B. "The Stenographic Report of Proceedings of the House of Representatives.

"March 10th, 1934

"Mr. TAKAHASHI, Korekiyo, the Minister of State, goes on the platform)

"I will give an explanation of the adjustment

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of Trade and Protection of Commerce Bill which has just been introduced for discussion. Recently there is no sincerity for international cooperation in world commerce, and there is a marked tendency among the respective countries to adopt selfish policies. Especially the tendency, spurred by extremely active advance of Japanese commodities in the markets abroad, has become more conspicuous. This situation is that those countries are gradually increasing which attempt to build a wall against our export trade through such methods like restricting their import from Hapan. In view of such a situation, it may, when we think of the future become necessary for our country to take such steps, depending on what measures the various countries will adopt hereafter, like regulating trade in conformity with such measures and thereby strike for the balance of international incomings and outgoings; or like increasing or decreasing the import duty or prohibiting and controlling the import and export to protect our commerce. Such measures must be put into effect according to circumstances. Therefore it is the intention of the Government today to establish beforehand a system for the above, and thereby prepare for the future. Of course we have no intention to assume an attitude of

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voluntarily disturbing the international relations, but it is our hope rather that such an occasion will not occur which will necessitate the application of this Law. In view of the current situation, I think it is unavoidable for us to make arrangements of this degree as a temporary measure. This is the outline of the reason why the Government has proposed this Bill."

We offer in evidence defense document 1734 which is an excerpt from the Official Gazette of the report of the proceedings of the House of Representatives of the statement by Minister of State OGAWA on May 11, 1936 on the automobile industry control bill.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Defense document 1734,

being a book entitled "The Stenographic Records of
the House of Representatives, 69th Session," in

Japanese, will receive exhibit No. 2778 for identification only and the excerpt therefrom, bearing the
same defense document number will re eive exhibit

No. 2778-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked defense exhibit No. 2778 for identification; the excerpt therefrom being marked defense exhibit No. 2778-A and received in evidence.)

MR. LOGAN: I now read exhibit No. 2778-A, being a Stenographic Record of the Proceedings of the House of Representatives, May 11, 1936.

"Minister of State OGAWA, Goraro: I will explain the reasons for proposing the Automobile Industry Control Bill which has just been placed before the House. The automobile industry is indispensable to a secure national defense and industrially ranks highest as one of what may be called basic industries. Its development or otherwise seriously affects both industry and national defense. In our country, however, we find the industry is not yet built on a firm foundation and the necessity of establishing it on a sound foundation has been keenly felt for a long time.

"Especially recently the various situation both at home and abroad has necessitated an urgent establishment of this industry on a truly sound foundation to complete national defense and to promote this industry. In my opinion, the fundamental measures for the successful development of the automobile industry should be in the direction of mass-production. Not only this for this purpose stress must be laid on the manufacture of what may be called automobiles for the general people which are

in great demand. As for the industry in Japan, however, the making of automobile part and the automobile industry on a small scale has been developed to a measure, and the industry based on the massproduction system has just taken a step forward but is still in an infant stage. At present, most automobiles produced in Japan are supplied by foreign companies here which assemble parts of foreign-make. Therefore, after careful examination and investigation of various phases of the matter, the Government decided and made public the fundamental measures adopted for the making of automobiles for the general people in the summer of the 10th year of Showa (1935). The Automobile Industry Control Bill now proposed has been drafted with the foregoing fundamental measures as its nucleus, taking full consideration of later changes in the industry and the situation both at home and abroad I think it is extremely important and urgent for the establishment and development of the automobile industry in Japan."

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MR. LOGAN: We next offer in evidence defense document 1766, an excerpt from the Official Gazette of January 22, 1937. This document sets forth the speech of Mr. SAKURAUCHI in regard, to the policies aimed at promoting and development of industry, before the House of Representatives on January 21, 1947.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Defense document 1766

will receive exhibit No. 2779.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked defense exhibit No. 2779 and received in evidence.)

MR. LOGAN: I now read exhibit 2779, being a record of the proceedings of the House of Representatives on January 21, 1937.

"Mr. SAKURAUCHI: Next, together with the national defense question, the problem of stabilization of people's lives is said to be most urgent.
Accordingly, a number of vital policies aimed at promoting the development of industry and the stabilization of people's lives are being dealt with in the present budget. I am afraid, however, that the result of this colossal budget might affect the national life more deeply than the results of these policies

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of the government. Essentially, this bulky budget itself is the cause of the high cost of living. Furthermore, should the present day financial policy and the plans for increasing taxation impede the development of trade and industry, cause a nasty inflation of currency, and bring soaring high prices, those policies concerning the industry and the national life introduced into the Diet today would yield no effect at all. Apart from this, comparing the price index and the wages of 1931 with those at the end of last year, we find the prices really increased by more than 32%, while the wages increased only by 15%. Despite the fact that this alone has been the cause of considerable pain to the masses of wage earners, the conditions that have been created by the radical jump of prices since the end of last year which occurred as a consequence of the announcement of this colossal budget are getting worse with indeterminable force. In addition to the above, an exorbitant increase has been made in the taxes levied on sake, sugar, tobacco, gasoline, and other necessities of life, and the postage rates and various sorts of other expenses to the masses have been increased. Should the prices go up still higher, the life of the people will absolutely be menaced. In

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my opinion herein lies a fearful germ that will defeat the purpose of the financial plans. Such a radical jump in prices will inevitably bring about high wages, and, correlation to the increase of the cost of materials, the budget will be forced to expand still more. Expansion of the budget will naturally boost the prices. If such cause and effect endlessly circulate, nothing will surpass the distress of the state and the hardships of the nation. In view of the precedents in Russia and Germany, I can not help being struck with horror. By what means and measures does the government intend to stop adequately the terrible jump in prices which is the inevitable result of the execution of policies according to this budget? Should the means be unreliable or inappropriate, it may bring more frightful results, and the responsibility of the Government will be most grave, I believe. Since this is the point that the people would like to know about most, I wish the government would fully express its views on this question."

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We now offer in evidence Defense Document 1768, which is an excerpt from the Official Gazette for January 22, 1937, reporting a statement by Minister of State BABA in the Diet on January 21, 1937, with respect to the Foreign Exchange Act.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on ute usual terms.

THE CLERK: Defense Document 1768 will receive Exhibit No. 2780 A.

(Whereupon the document above referred to was marked Exhibit No. 2780A and received in evidence.)

MR. LOGAN: I will now read Exhibit 2780A:

"The 70th Imperial Diet. The Stenographic

Record of Proceedings of House of Representatives, No.3.

"The Session Opened at 1:18 p.m. Thursday,

Jan. 21, 1937.

"The Minister of State (Mr. Eiichi, BABA); (Continued)

value in the recent complicated international economic situation, we are depended small degree upon the operation of the Foreign Exchange Act. The Government, towards the end of last year, has revised the decree based on the Foreign Exchange Act; however, again in view of the recent tendency toward the increase in speculative importations, we have taken

temporary emergency measures. The Government will hereafter always take heed to the International shifting of capital and will take all possible steps to meet the situation, to prevent the flight of capital and also the fluctuation of exchange rates. At the same time, the Government will exercise the utmost care in the actual application of the exchange control lest industry and trade be hindered. But to attain good results from it is needless to say that the cooperation of the nation is extremely important."

I next offer in evidence Defense Document 1767, an excerpt from the Official Gazette of February 16, 1937. This document sets forth the speech of State Minister YUKI before the House of Representatives on February 15, 1937, concerning the development of foreign trade.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

THE CLERK: Defense Document 1767 will receive Exhibit No. 2780B.

(Thereupon the document above referred to was marked Exhibit No. 2780B and received in evidence.)

MR. LOGAN: I will now read Exhibit 2780B:
"Stenographic Record, State Minister YUKI, Toyotaro:
It is due to our past few years activities in
the world markets by means of good and cheap com-

modities that our foreign trade has been developed to a remarkable extent. But in the future good quality and low prices solely are impossible to be relied upon. Control must be properly enforced hereafter to avoid intensification of foreign obstacles to overseas trade and, externally, reciprocal treaties must be concluded through diplomatic negotiations as the occasion demands, absorbing needed imports on the one hand and striving to increase exports all the more on the other.

"Though the exchange rates were a little abnormal from the end of last year to the beginning of this year, they are gradually regaining stability. And I intend to adopt a prudent policy for maintaining the exchange rates which are recognized to be most necessary. As to the emergency measures concerning foreign exchange, it shall be continued for a while and its development shall be observed for some time yet. It goes without saying that the utmost care shall be taken not to impede industry and trade in its practical operation.

"I think fundamental consideration shall be required of international economy. A glance over the recent situation, and you will find that the ideology of economic nationalism is still dominant and there

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is hardly any one who gives ear to that of international economy. The obscure atmosphere now internationally brewing may be said to be due to this economic
seclusionism. It will alleviate the acute situation
of international relations and contribute not a little
to world peace to break the deadlock of international
economy and brighten commercial intercourses. Therefore I think the recovery of international economy
is the urgent necessity of the moment."

We now offer in evidence Defense Document 1764, which is an excerpt from the Official Gazette of 21 February 1937 recording the speech of Minister of State YUKI at the time of the introduction of the Bill Concerning Exports Control Tax Law before the House of Representatives, 20 February 1937.

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THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

THE CLERK: Defense Document 1764 will re
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MR. LOGAN: I will now read Exhibit 2780C:
"Stenographic Record, Minister of State (Mr. YUKI,
Toyotaro): In conclusion, I would like to explain the
Bill concerning Exports Control Tax Law. Viewing

recent trade policies of various countries, there is a large number of countries which takes measures such as extremely raising Customs duties, limiting imports, etc. by resorting to the claim-for-compensation principle or an economic isolation principle, etc. preventive measures are increasingly being taken especially against Japanese exports. In order to improve our Export trade under such a trade situation, it is thought of very urgent necessity to enlarge the Export Compensation system by establishing a new Import Compensation system and other appropriate measures. Now that a considerable amount of expenses is required for the execution of these measures, it is thought proper to look for a source of revenue to cover the expenses by imposing for the time being the exports control tax on rayon cotton fabrics, etc. among the export goods which have close relations with these measures."

We now offer in evidence Defense Document
1724, for identification, which is an excerpt from
the Official Gazette of July 30, 1937. This document
sets forth the speech of Minister of State YOSHINO at
the time of the introduction of the Synthetic Oil
Industry Bill and the Imperial Fuel Development
Company Bill before the House of Representatives

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July 29, 1937.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

THE CLERK: The book entitled "Stenographic Records of the House of Representatives, 71st and 72nd Session, in Japanese, will receive Exhibit No.

2781 for identification only, and the excerpt therefrom, being Defense Document No. 1724, will receive Exhibit No. 2781A.

(Whereupon the document above referred to was marked Exhibit No. 2781A and received in evidence.)

MR. LOGAN: I will now read Exhibit No. 2781A:

"No. 5, stenographic records of the proceedings of the House of Representatives in the 71st session of the Imperial Diet, July 29, 1937.

"Minister of State (Mr. YOSHINO, Shinji): As for the bills now under discussion, I will first exeplain the reasons why we have submitted the Synthetic Oil Industry Bill as well as the Imperial Fuel Development Company Bill. Liquid fuel is among the fundamental resources indispensable to our national industry and defense. It is a great pity, however, that our country is very poor in oil resources and is obliged to depend mainly on foreign countries for supplies of oil in the form of raw materials or manufactured goods. Every year we are paying abroad a large sum

of money and the demand for oil is showing a rapid increase. In view of the present situation, home or abroad, I believe that the most urgent business for us to do is to free our oil industry from the yoke of foreign countries, to accelerate the attainment of self-sufficiency with regard to liquid fuel, and thereby to promote our industrial development and national defense security, as well as the improvement of the balance of international payments......

"Next I will explain the reasons why we have submitted the Iron and Steel Industry Bill. Our iron and steel industry has recently made rapid progress, but it remains substantially at the stage of dependence on foreign countries, as it requires the import of a large amount of pig-iron, scrap iron and iron ore, as well as other raw materials for iron manufacturing. I therefore believe that the fundamental policy toward iron manufacturing is to accelerate the advance toward self-sufficiency in iron and steel in order to contribute to the development of all industries, to improve the present condition of dependence upon foreign countries, to develop further overseas markets for our iron and steel products, to establish a means of securing raw materials, and thereby to bring our industry and national defense to perfection.

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In the light of the present condition of our iron industry, our government, having taken various previous measures, considers it indispensable to take further steps, on the one hand, toward exhaustive efforts in integrated pig-iron work, expansion of logical facilities and encouragement of the use of iron sands or low-grade ores, and, on the other, toward the prevention of building too many facilities dependent upon foreign scrap iron as well as toward the promotion of the sound development of the iron industry through suitable control and adjustment. This is the reason for which we are attempting adequately to protect and promote our iron industry through suitable supervision by enacting a new Iron Industry Law in place of the Iron Industry Encouragement Law."

MR. LOGAN: I now call as a witness OKAZAKI Ayakoto. 2 OKAZAKI, called as a witness 3 AYAKOTO on behalf of the defense, being first duly sworn, 5 testified through Japanese interpreters as follows: DIRECT EXAMINATION 7 BY MR. LOGAN: 8 Will you tell us your name and address, Mr. OKAZAKI? 10 My name is OKAZAKI Ayakoto. My address: No. 11 1710 Hojo, Tatayama City, Chiba Prefecture. 12 Will you examine document 1933 being handed 13 to you by the Marshal of the court and tell us whether 14 or not that is your affidavit? I should like to have some -- a few correc-16 tions made in this affidavit. In the English deposi-17 tion it would be the fourth line from the top. 18 I should like to have "to 1938" made to read 19 "to 5 December 1938." 20 The next change I should like to have made 21 appears in the second page, seventh line of the Japanese text. Instead of "separate sheet" I should like 23 to have that passage read "separate chart."

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Also, the "column on consumption" I should like to have read "column on civilian consumption."

That is all the correction I have to make. With those corrections are the statements contained in this affidavit accurate and true? Yes. MR. LOGAN: I offer in evidence defense document 1933 and the charts attached thereto. THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. CLERK OF THE COURT: Defense document 1933 will receive exhibit No. 2782. (Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked defense exhibit 2782 and received in evidence.) MR. LOGAN: I now read exhibit 2782, the affidavit of OKAZAKI Ayakoto. "My career is as follows: "From 1 December 1936 to 1938 I was in charge of matters relating to research concerning munitions industries and natural resources as a member of the Naval Affairs Bureau of the Navy Ministry, and in addition was concurrently secretary of the Natural Resources Board and participated in matters relating

"From 6 December 1938 to 15 June 1939 I was secretary in the Temporary Materials Research Bureau of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

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"From 16 June 1939 to 15 November 1940 I participated in matters pertaining to annual materials mobilization planning in the Planning Board as a materials research secretary of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry. At the same time I served as the official in charge of determining the effectivation plan of periodic (every three months) materials mobilization in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

"From 16 November 1940 to 8 April 1941 I
was in charge of supervising matters concerning the
supply of materials relating to the Naval Technical
Department as chief of the Third Section of that department.

"From 9 April 1941 to 31 October of the same year, I assisted the Minister of Commerce and Industry as materials research secretary of the Ministry and concurrently acting private secretary of the Minister.

"From 15 November 1941 to 5 June 1943 I was in charge of supervision of matters relative to the supply of materials to the navy in general as chief of the Second Section of the Arms and Equipment Bureau of the Navy Ministry.

"From 3 December 1945 up to the present I have been engaged, as I still am, in the assembling

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and collation of data relative to the various plans concerning the industrial economy of Japan, especially from the beginning of the China Incident to the end of the Pacific War, and their results as a councillor of the National Economic Research Association, a juridical foundation.

"I should like to state about petroleum as it is generally called, especially about fuel and diesel oil, in the following order:

"1. First of all I should like to speak of the basic data upon which I bese my testimony.

"The basic materials which I am using, in other words, the materials contained in the annex attached herewith, have been prepared using also as reference the materials submitted to the United States Strategic Bombing Survey in compliance with its directive. The materials submitted to the USSBS were assembled from all the data available at that time and coordinated by the joint conferences of the officials in charge of matters pertaining to petroleum of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry and the First and Second Demobilization Boards. However, considerable revisions of the materials submitted to the USSBS were made necessary as a result of new data obtained by the above-mentioned government departments concerned

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offices on the basis of such newly acquired data.

"2. In connection with the materials above referred to I shall speak only of fuel and diesel oil. My reason for so doing is to simplify the subject on hand and because it is fuel and diesel oil which have a vital connection with naval warfare.

"Of the foregoing two items, the total amount of diesel oil which could be supplied in 1931 (See Annex I) was 1,331,220 kilolitres. As against the army's consumption of 6,000 kilolitres and the navy's consumption of 30,000 kilolitres, the civilian consumption was 1,240,000 kilolitres (See Annex I. A denotes the army, B the navy, and C civilians.)

This proportion continued since that time up to the outbreak of the Pacific War. Furthermore, the figures in the column on consumption in Annex I -- I indicate the fact that there was a conspicuous drop since 1941. This was because as a result of war the army and navy demands increased while the supply thereof, especially imports, became nil.

"Civilian consumption in 1941 was 1,066,150 kilolitres which was considerably less than the consumption in 1931 of 1,240,000 kilolitres. Although the increase in the army and navy requirements may be considered as one of the causes of the drop in civil-

ian consumption, the primary cause was the fact that the import of this item in 1941 was no more than 465,000 kilolitres as against 1,346,000 kilolitres which was imported in the previous year. This was due to the United States embargo on the export of petroleum to Japan. As a result, not only was marine transportation of vital materials seriously handicapped, but civilian industries also were considerably affected.

"3. Next I should like to speak of fuel oil.

"This item is necessary as fuel for naval
vessels and for important industries, especially
steel.

"The volume of imports of this item appear in Annex 2 to be small, but this is because it is included in the natural oil in the column on consumption on the extreme left. It is so included because crude oil was imported from abroad and refined in Japan.

"The volume of naval consumption of fuel oil registered some increase from year to year since 1931 because of the increase in naval vessels and because vessels with boilers using coal or coal and fuel oil combined were gradually changed to those exclusively using fuel oil. Moreover, the increase after 1937 was caused to some extent by the effect of the China

Incident.

 which is shown in the affixed Table No. 2, was 3,701,300 kilo (1). Researches were then made about what would happen in case of failure in acquiring oil from abroad. According to the research, the annual consumption of fuel oil in Japan was, for example, 1,387,360 kilo in 1941. Consequently, if the remaining stock of 3,122,386 kilo were to be used for the following year, the whole stock of oil would be entirely spent up within two years or so.

"4) In conclusion, I want to add some explanations about fuel and diesel oil from the standpoint of naval war preparations.

"Just before the outbreak of the Pacific War the stock of fuel and diesel oil in the hands of the Navy was 3,624,000 kilo and that of crude oil was 1,435,000 kilo. These figures were shown to the GHQ Officials by Colonel HARA, who then acted as representative for Lt. Gen. HOSHINO of the Second Demobilization Bureau, after the termination of war. These accord with the figures that I obtained through investigations in December, 1941, soon after the outbreak of the war, when I was Chief of the Section of Supervision of Supply and Demand of Materials.

"The problem of when overseas oil cannot be obtained was studied from the standpoint of a wartime problem. The study revealed that the average monthly supply of fuel and diesel oil needed by the Navy in wartime would be 250,000 kilo. Accordingly, if the overall total of 4,600,000 kilo, consisting of 3,624,000 kilo of fuel and dissel oil, which had already been in stock before the war, and that which was to be obtained from crude oil were to be alloted to the Navy, it would be consumed within one and a half years. And in this estimate no consideration was given to the demand of private enterprises."

It is signed by OKAZAKI Ayakoto.

I ask that the two tables be spread in full on the transcript in the record. I won't take the time of the court to read them.

BRIGADIER QUILLIAM: If your Honor please, we don't wish to examine.

MR. LOGAN: May the witness be released on the usual terms?

THE PRESIDENT: He is released accordingly.

(Whereupon, the witness was excused.)

Well, you are getting on to a new section,

I suppose. You are starting something fresh now?

MR. LOGAN: Well, more excerpts.

THE PRESIDENT: We will adjourn until halfpast nine tomorrow morning. (Whereupon, at 1600, an adjournment was taken until Wednesday, 6 August 1947, at 0930.)